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WILLIAM J. PRICE.
INSPECTOR OF NAVAL STORES,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
Solicits the patronage of his country friends, and all others engaged in the Turpentine business.
☞Office opposite No. 47, North Water Street.
Nov. 24th, 1858. 68-1y-w.

F. M. BIZZELL,
GROCER AND COMMISSION MERCHANT,
No. 29 NORTH WATER STREET,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
Prompt and personal attention given to the reception of all kinds country produce, either for sale or shipment.
Orders for groceries from *cash* customers will receive immediate attention, free of commissions.
Nov. 19th, 1858 12-1y
Fay. Obs. 12 mos. and send bill to this office immediately.

WM. H. TURLINGTON,
COMMISSION MERCHANT,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
☞Will give prompt and personal attention to all consignments of *SPIRITS TURPENTINE, ROSIN, TAR, COTTON, FLOUR,* and other country produce, either for sale or shipment.
My wharf and warehouses being conveniently located for the reception of produce either by Railroad or River, enables me to make charges light. Nov. 12–11-1y

T. M. SMITH,
COMMISSION AND FORWARDING MERCHANT,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
Will give personal and prompt attention to the sale and shipment of Cotton, Naval Stores, and all other country produce.
Office No. 17, (up stairs) North Water St., immediately over M. McInnis'.
Oct. 21st, 1858. 39-1y–8-1y

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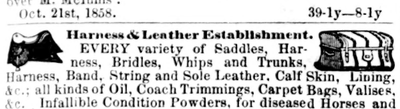
EVERY variety of Saddles, Harness, Bridles, Whips and Trunks, Harness, Band, String and Sole Leather, Calf Skin, Lining, &c.; all kinds of Oil, Coach Trimmings, Carpet Bags, Valises, &c. Infallible Condition Powders, for diseased Horses and Cattle, every description of Ploughs and Agricultural Implements. The largest stock in the State, and sold wholesale or retail, at the lowest New York prices.
☞Harness and Saddles manufactured to order and repaired. JAMES WILSON,
Dec. 3.—14-6m No. 5 Market st., near the wharf.

H. W. GROVES,
INSPECTOR OF TIMBER AND LUMBER,
Oct. 8, 1858.—6-6m. WILMINGTON, N. C.

JOHN F. HERRING,
INSPECTOR OF NAVAL STORES,
WILMINGTON, N. Cl
☞Office at H. VonGlahn's store, North Water street, where he can be found when not engaged in out-door business. April 2, 1858–31-1y*

THOMAS W. PLAYER,
INSPECTOR OF NAVAL STORES,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
March 19, 1857—29-1y.

CLARK & FELT,
COACH AND CARRIAGE MAKERS,
Corner Third and Princess streets, opposite R. H. Grant's Livery Stables, Wilmington, N. C.,

BUGGIES AND ROCKAWAYS constantly on hand. Repairing of all kinds, Painting and Trimming done in the neatest and most substantial manner. Orders solicited and promptly attended to. Terms, cash on delivery.
March 5, 1858.—27-1y.

WILLIAM H. LIPPITT,
WHOLESALE AND RETIL DRUGGIST, and Dealer in Paints, Oils, Dye Stuffs, Window Glass, Garden Seeds, Perfumery, Patent Medicines, &c. &c., corner of Front and Market sts., immediately opposite SHAW's old stand Wilmington, N. C. 5

JOSEPH L. KEEN,
CONTRACTOR AND BUILDER, respectfully informs the public that he is prepared to take contracts in his line of business. He keeps constantly on hand, LIME, CEMENT, PLASTER, PLASTERING HAIR, Philadelphia PRESS BRICK, FIRE BRICK, &c.
N. B. To Distillers of Turpentine,—he is prepared to put up Stills at the shortest notice May 20—37-1y.

WILMINGTON MARBLE WORKS,
Wilmington, N. C.
W. G. MILLIGAN, proprietor, respectfully informs the public, that he is prepared to make and put up to order—Marble Monuments of all sizes, Tombs, Head-Stones, Furniture Tops, Mantles, Hearths, &c., of the best quality of American or Italian Marble, not to be surpassed in style or workmanship, and as cheap as can be procured from any establishment in the country, North or South.
Iron Railing—50 different styles for inclosing family lots, from 75 cents to $10 per foot, furnished and put up to order,
N. B.—Orders from all parts of the country, accompanied by the cash or satisfactory reference, will receive prompt attention; and all articles warranted to be as recommended, or no charge made.
Nov. 23d.—[12-tf.

W. H. McRARY & CO.,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS, corner Princess and Water street, Wilmington, N. C.
REFERENCES:
H. R. Savage, Cashier Bank Cape Fear, Wilmington, N. C.
Col. John McRae, Pres't Bank Wilmington, do.
D. A. Davis, Cashier Branch B'k Cape Fear, Salisbury, do.
J. G. Lash, " " " Salem, do.
J. Eli Gregg, President of Bank Cheraw, S. C. [Oct 17]

JAMES O. BOWDEN,
INSPECTOR OF NAVAL STORES,
April 4, 1856.—[31-tf. WILMINGTON, N. C

ALFRED ALDERMAN,
INSPECTOR OF NAVAL STORES,
WILMINGTON. N. C.
Will give prompt attention to all business in his line.
Feb. 20th, 1857. 25-1y

GEO. W. ROSE,
CARPENTER AND CONTRACTOR,
June 17 WILMINGTON, N. C.

S. M. WEST,
AUCTIONEER AND COMMISSION MERCHANT.
219-tf WILMINGTON, N. C.

CARRIAGE FACTORY.

B. R. HOOD respectfully informs the public that he is still at his old stand in Clinton, where he continues to manufacture CARRIAGES, BAROUCHES, ROCKAWAYS AND BUGGIES. He is prepared at all times to execute work with neatness and despatch. He superintends all his operations in person, and guarantees that his work shall be as durable, as neat, and as cheap as any other establishment in the State.
He is now constantly employed in manufacturing and applying his new patent scroll springs, without which no buggy can be complete. These springs prevent the usual unpleasant motion, and add but little to the cost of a buggy and is of incalculable benefit, as they completely prevent that strain upon the other springs which has given rise to so many breakings. All who want an easy riding buggy will give him a call.
May 28th, 1858 39-tf

Rewards.

$100 REWARD.

RANAWAY from the subscriber, on or about the 15th day of June, 1857, his man "RICHARD," sometimes called "RICHARD MALLETT." Said Richard is a mulatto, about 33 to 35 years of age, rather likely, quick spoken, and given to talking, especially if he has been drinking; is slim built, about 5 feet 8 to 10 inches high; has had his ears pierced, and has generally worn small rings in them. He is a Carpenter by trade. He formerly belonged to Mr. T. J. Armstrong, and was raised in the town of Wilmington, and waited about the store of Hall & Armstrong—has a wife in Wilmington named Maria, belonging to Mrs. C. A. Fulton, and now hired to Mr. A. McRae, Jr. He may be lurking about Wilmington, or perhaps may have gone to Weldon, Petersburg, or Norfolk, passing himself off as free, and may have obtained work at some of the railroad depots. I will give the above reward for his delivery to me, or his lodgment in any jail where I can get him.
J. H. MURPHY.
Moore's Creek, New Hanover Co., N. C.
May 15, 1858.—213-6t—38-tf.

$50 REWARD

WILL BE PAID BY THE SUBSCRIBER, for the apprehension and confinement in any Jail so that I get him, of my man *JOHN*. He is a mulatto: the common color, only some parts of his face is darker than the other parts; has good teeth, long and rather crooked nose, and otherwise featured well, except his color; of medium size, 5 ft. 8or 9 inches high; weighs about 150 lbs.; is between 25 and 30 years of age; quick spoken—quick in his actions, and quite intelligent. He was reared and owned in Lancaster county, Virginia, by a man named Dunaway, and may try to get back to that region. I bought him in Wilmington some four years ago, from Ansly Davis, or M. Cronly. He deserted on the 7th inst., and may be lurking about Wilmington, on his way to Virginia.
JOHN MERCER.
Brunswick co., N. C., Oct. 12, '58. 35-3t—8-tf

RHODE'S SUPER-PHOSPHATE OF LIME.
IN INTRODUCING THE ABOVE HIGHLY AUTHENTICATED article to the Planters of N. Ca., we omit any lengthened remarks, preferring to secure their approval by actual tests and experiments, for which purpose we have made arrangements with Messrs. KEITH & FLANNER, of Wilmington, to receive orders for such quantities as Planters may require, who will furnish it at our prices, (forty-five dollars per ton,) with the simple addition of shipping expenses.
Messrs. K. & F. will also furnish a pamphlet containing directions for use, together with letters from those who have tested its value as a fertilizer by actual experiments.
Dec. 25—17-tf B. M. RHODES & CO.

Official Notices.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,
SAMPSON COUNTY.
Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions—Nov. Term, 1858.
Sarah Carroll, widow of Raiford Carroll, vs. John O. Carroll, David D. Carroll, Jas. Cox and wife Mary, and others, } Petition for Dower.
IT APPEARING to the satisfaction of the Court, that John O. Carroll is not an inhabitant of this State: On motion, it was ordered by the Court, that publication be made in the Weekly Wilmington Journal for six weeks, for him to be and appear at the next term of this Court, to be held for the county of Sampson, at the Court House in Clinton, the 3d Monday of February next, then and there to plead, answer or demur to this petition, or the same will be held pro confesso as to him.
Witness, J. R. BEAMAN, Clerk of our said Court, at office in Clinton, the 3d Monday of November, 1858, and of American Independence the 83d year, this the 29th of November. 1850. J. R. BEAMAN, Cl'k.
Dec. 3, 1858. [Pr. adv. $5 62]—14-5w*

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,
COLUMBUS COUNTY.
Superior Court of Law—Fall Term, 1858.
William Smith vs. James J. Wortham, Isaac Jackson, } Attachment.
IT IS CONSIDERED BY THE COURT, that the land levied upon be condemned to satisfy the plaintiff's demand, and any judgment thereon hereafter to be had unless before final judgment in this cause, the defendants shall lawfully replevy the said lands so attached, and plead to issue in the above suit. It is further ordered, that publication be made for six weeks in the Wilmington Journal, (weekly) for the defendants to appear at the next term of this Court, and replevy and plead to issue, or judgment final by default will be entered up against them.
Witness, THOMAS L. VAIL, Clerk of our said Court, at office in Whiteville, the second Monday after the fourth Monday in September, A. D., 1858.
THOMAS L. VAIL, Cl'k.
November 18th, 1858. [Pr. fee $5 62—12-6w*

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,
COLUMBUS COUNTY.
Superior Court of Law—Fall Term, A. D., 1858.
John D. Bellamy vs. Benjamin M. Williams, } Attachment.
IT IS CONSIDERED BY THE COURT, that the Real Estate levied upon be condemned to satisfy the plaintiff's demand, and any judgment thereon hereafter to be had unless before final judgment in this cause, the defendant shall lawfully replevy the said real estate so attached, and plead to issue in the above suit. It is further ordered, that publication be made for six weeks in the Wilmington Journal, (weekly,) for the defendant to appear at the next term of this Court, and replevy and plead to issue, or judgment final by defaut will be entered up against him.
Witness, THOMAS L. VAIL, Clerk of our said Court, at office in Whiteville, the second Monday after the fourth Monday in September, A. D. 1858.
THOMAS L. VAIL, Cl'k.
November 18th, 1858. [Pr. fee $5 62.—12-6w*

IN EQUITY—HORRY DISTRICT, S. C.
The Administratix of John Readmon. vs. Henry Hardy, et. al. } Bill to Marshal Assets and for Partition.
IT APPEARING to my satisfaction, that Mary E. Readmon, a party defendant to the above bill, resides beyond the jurisdiction of this Court: It is, on motion of Harllee & Walsh, complainants' Solicitors, ordered, that the said defendant do appear, plead, answer or demur to the bill aforesaid, within three months from the date of this publication, or an order pro confesso may be taken against her.
JNO. R. BEATTY, Comm. in Equity.
Commissioner's Office, Nov. 3, 1858. 12-eow3m

General Notices.

STOVES AND GRATES,
THE LARGEST ASSORTMENT, OF THE LATEST AND MOST
IMPROVED PATTERNS,
ever offered in this State, will sell as low as can be bought North.
L. A. HART.

GUNS—GUNS.
JUST RECEIVED FROM ENGLAND, direct, the leargest and best assortment of *DOUBLE GUNS* ever offered in this market, made to my own order, and which I can sell at 15 per cent. less than if bought in New York.
L. A. HART.

THE OLD DOMINION COFFEE POT.
THIS NEW COFFEE POT, for which a patent has been issued, possess this advantage over all others: It is well known that, in the ordinary way of boiling coffee, the fine aroma, which gives to the coffee its most delicious flavor, passes off with the vapor, and the longer it is boiled, the more bitter and unpalatable, and unhealthy it becomes; hence a resort to the French Strainer, which gives a rawtasting beverage. "*THE OLD DOMINION COFFEE POT*" entirely prevents the escape of aroma. One-third less coffee is required, and the full flavor of the berry retained. A large number of testimonials have been received from those who have used them. For sale by
L. A. HART.

CARBON OIL LAMPS AT REDUCED PRICES;
ALSO A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF TIN, COPPER and Sheet Iron Ware of my own manufacture, which will be sold low for cash or approved credit. Turpentine Stills made to order, or any other article in my line, at short notice. " " " L. A. HART.
Oct. 8. 28-1w—7-6m

T. WADDILL
Has taken charge of the
FAYETTEVILLE HOTEL.

WITH EFFICIENT AID IN THE DIFFERENT departments, and his own supervision of the entire Establishment, he hopes to give satisfaction to the patrons of the House.
☞Raleigh and Warsaw four horse lines of Stages arrive and depart from this House daily, and the Salem Stage triweekly.
Fayetteville, N. C., Oct. 1, 1858. 6-3m

Drugs, Medicines, Paints, Oils, &c.

PAINTS AND OILS.
10,000 LBS. Pure White Lead;
5,000 lbs. Pure White Zinc;
500 lbs. Pure White Zinc, in Varnish;
500 lbs. Silver Paint in Oil;
50 bbls. " " dry assorted;
10 " Spanish Brown;
5 " Venetian Red;
5 " Yellow Ochre;
5 " Linseed Oil;
5 " Lard Oil;
2 " Best Sperm Oil;
300 lbs. Chrome Green, in oil and dry;
200 " " Yellow, in Oil and dry. For sale wholesale and retail, by W. H. LIPPITT,
Oct. 2—5-tf Druggist & Chemist.

For Sale and to Let.

VALUABLE TURPENTINE LANDS FOR SALE.

HAVING CONCLUDED TO QUIT THE TURPENtine business, I offer for sale the following PINE LANDS:—
Three thousand Acres on Waccamaw & Buck Creek, in Horry District; one thousand Acres near Conwayborough; four thousand Acres on Sterritt Swamp, all Saints Parish, and five or six thousand Acres on Socostee, owned by H. Buck and myself.
Also, two TURPENTINE STILLS, one size forty bbls., the other fifteen bbls. THOS. RANDALL.
Little River, S. C., Nov. 27. 14-3w.

FOR SALE OR RENT.

THE LATE RESIDENCE OF GEN. JOHN GRAY Bynum, deceased, corner of 6th and Orange Streets. For terms, apply to N. N. Nixon, Esq., or C. T. N. Davis, Esq., or to the undersigned, Cottage Home, Lincoln County, N. C. WM. P. BYNUM, Administrator.
January 8th, 1858 19-tf

VALUABLE ROCKY POINT LAND FOR SALE.

1,000 ACRES OF LAND, LYING ON THE WEST side of the N. E. branch of the Cape Fear River, 18 miles from Wilmington, known as the *FATTS, or FERRY PLANTATION.* These lands, as all others adjoining them, are underlaid with lime rock and the best of marl. There are 450 to 500 acres cleared, with a good Dwelling and Outhouses, Negro Houses, Stables and Barn; the last two new framed buildings, and on the brink of the river. Wishing to move, I will sell on accommodating terms. For further information apply to my father, Levin Lane. My overseer, L. D. Cherry, will show the place.
E. E. LANE.
June 22. 245-1w—43-tf
Fawboro' Southerner please copy and send bill to this office.

VALUABLE PLANTATION AND LAND FOR SALE.

THE SUBSCRIBER, BEING DESIROUS OF changing his business, offers for sale his LANDS, lying in Brunswick county, between the Fayetteville and Wilmington road and Cape Fear River, three miles from Brinkley's depot, on the W. & M. R. R., and nineteen miles above Wilmington. The tract of land contains *SIX HUNDRED AND FORTY ACRES.* There is cleared land sufficient to work three ploughs, of which are fifteen or twenty acres of good river land, and an excellent lowland Pasture for stock. The uplands are level, and an inexhaustible bed of MARL very convenient. It is a very healthy location, well watered; with a comfortable new dwelling house and other necessary buildings. I also offer for sale *TWO HUNDRED ACRES OF LAND* lying on the N. E. side of Cape Fear River on Lyon Swamp, in Bladen county. Terms easy. For further particulars, apply to the subscriber on the premises, or address to Robinson P. O., Brunswick county, N. C. R. A. LYTLE.
September 17, 1858. 3-6m

For Sale and to Let.

EXECUTOR'S SALE.
WILL BE SOLD, at the late residence of T. H. Williams, dec'd, on Wednesday, the 29th December next, all the perishable property belonging to said deceased's Estate, consisting in part, of the following, viz: one large Timber Carriage, three Road Waggons, one Barouche, one Buggy and Harness, one Horse-Cart, Corn Sheller, Pea Nut Fan, one Straw Cutter, one Rafting Boat, one set Blacksmith's Tools, one set Cooper's Tools, Plantation and Turpentine Tools, and many other things too tedious to mention, Corn, Fodder, Peas, Potatoes, &c., a fine stock of Cattle, among which are some very fine blood, Horses, Mules, Hogs and Sheep, &c. To rent 4 or 5 tasks of Box Trees, two Grist Mills, and about thirty likely negroes to hire, and some land to rent. The sale will continue from day to day until all are disposed of.
Terms made known on the day of sale.
S. H. BELL, Ex'r.
Long Creek, Nov. 29, 1858. 15-ts

FOR SALE.

2,300 ACRES of valuable *CAPE FEAR LAND.* The subscriber wishing to change his business, offers for sale all his land in the lower end of Bladen county, lying mostly on the West side of the Cape Fear River, known as *Indian Wills.* This land extends back in a body for four miles, and is traversed by the Wilmington, Charlotte & Rutherford Rail Road, three miles from the river. There is enough up land cleared for a three horse crop, some of which is marled. There are 250 Acres of *LOW LAND,* a two horse crop of which is cleared, and 50 acres very superior to clear. There is a *CANE PASTURE* inclosed sufficient to winter 40 head of cattle. There are five full crops of *TURPENTINE BOXES*—four of which are but little worn. There is a chance to cut one task of virgin boxes.—There is a good deal of large timber along the Railroad, and an inexhaustible quantity of small pine. There is a very eligible site for a Turpentine Distillery. Improvements are a *COMFORTABLE DWELLING,* and all necessary outhouses to accommodate 25 persons. Terms of sale will be made very accommodating, provided the payments are well secured. Persons wishing to purchase can see these Lands by calling on Dr. Gillespie, who lives near; or by addressing me at Mount Olive, Wayne county, N. C. I will visit the Land with them at any time.
Dec. 1, 1858—14-4t* JAS. G. DICKSON.

VALUABLE REAL ESTATE FOR SALE.

THE UNDERSIGNED offers for sale, his DWELLING HOUSE & LOT, either separately or with his *PLANTATION* and improvements. The dwelling is large and commodious, and although located upon the Plantation, is within the limits of the corporation of Jacksonville, Onslow county. The Plantation consists of *ONE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED ACRES,* situated on New River, and is partly embraced within the limits of the corporation of Jacksonville. A large portion of this land is cleared, and the balance well timbered, and can be easily cleared and drained.
He will also either sell or rent 1,700 *ACRES OF TURPENTINE LAND,* with the trees mostly boxed. This Land is situated very favorably on the New River.
His Plantation on Bachelor's Delight, and several other small places will be rented out. Purchasers can be supplied with the necessary articles on the premises.
All the above LANDS are situated on New River, and from the late improvements in the River, it now abounds in the most choice luxuries of the table—Fish, Oysters, Wild Ducks, &c., of the most choice quality, all of which are furnished in the greatest abundance, making a residence contiguous most desirable.
The above property will be exchanged for young Negroes, or sold on a credit, or for cash, as may best suit the purchaser.
For further particulars apply to G. J. WARD,
Nov. 23-13-tf. Jacksonville. N. C.

VALUABLE LANDS FOR SALE.

I OFFER FOR SALE ALL MY LANDS, LYing in the county of Onslow, and on the West side of New River. The place on which I now reside, one mile west of Jacksonville, containing 300 ACRES—100 of which is cleared. On it is a *NEW TWO STORY DWELLING,* 40 by 32 feet—eight rooms with fire places; a good well of water, Kitchen, Smoke-House, Carriage-House, Barn, Stables, Negro-Houses, and all other necessary outhouses—all framed and new; also, 1800 Acres on the Wilmington road, one and a half miles from the above, about 200 acres of which is cleared and in cultivation, and about 450 *acres of very superior Swamp Land,* which can be easily cleared and drained, the whole well adapted to growing Cotton. On it are inexhaustible quantities of the *BEST SHELL MARL,* of easy access. Attached are three tasks of Turpentine boxes, and round trees enough to cut another—all within *three miles of a good landing.* I will sell either or both of the above places on easy and accommodating terms; and if desired, the stock, crop, &c., belonging to either or both places. Those wishing to buy lands would find it to their interest to examine the premises, as a bargain can be bought. For further particulars, address
sonville, N. C. E. W. WARD,
Nov. 26th, 1858.—13-4t. Jacksonville. N. C.

NOTICE.

THE UNDERSIGNED, will sell on time, on the first Monday in January next, if not previously disposrd of, in the town of Jacksonville, a large DWELLING HOUSE AND LOT, built expressly for a Tavern, with all necessary out buildings, and every thing new and neat about the premises. Also, one Still Yard with all necessary buildings on said Lot, it is immediately on the river.
Sold with the above conditions.
G. J. WARD,
R. G. WARD.
Nov. 26th, 1858 13-tf

ANOTHER IMPORTANT SALE IN DUPLIN.

IN OBEDIENCE TO SUNDRY DECREES OF THE Court of Equity for Duplin county, I will expose for sale by public auction, at the Court House in Kenansville, on the first day of January, 1859, the following described Real Estate in said county, viz: The HOUSE and LOT in Kenansville, known as the *UNION HOTEL,* lately occupied by John D. Abernathy, deceased, and which is a popular and pleasant location in the said Village. Also, *A TRACT OF LAND* containing 200 acres, on Mill Branch, near Kenansville, where the late Mrs. Elizabeth A. Houston formerly resided. (a desirable and valuable little place.) Also, a tract of Land containing 190 acres on Limestone Creek, and formerly belonging to Margaret R. Whaley, dec'd. Also, a tract of Land containing 140 acres on the North East River, and formerly belonging to Bryan Mallard, deceased; also, a tract of Land containing 150 acres on Mathis' branch, and formerly the property of Samuel Davis, deceased; also, a tract of Land containing 75 acres on the waters of the North East, and formerly belonging to Alexander Quinn, deceased.—Terms made known at sale, which will be for the most part, bonds at six months, bearing interest.
JERE PEARSALL, C. M. E.
Duplin Co., Oct. 29, 1858. [Pr. Adv. $12 68.] 9-ts

LAND FOR SALE.
THE SUBSCRIBER offers for sale 2,500 acres of LAND, on the South West side of the Wilmington & Manchester Rail Road, and in the county of Brunswick, immediately adjoining the said Road, about 23 miles from Wilmington, and about 2 miles below Maxwell's station. Five or six hundred acres may be called piney land, and then immediately back of this, and about one quarter of a mile from said Road, 800 to 1000 acres of the finest body of *HAMMOCK LAND* in this part of the country, which can be reclaimed and put in a fine farm at less expense than any land that I know of. It is covered with a growth of Oak, Ash, Poplar, Sweet Gum, Mulbery, and all the other growth of wood usual on fine high or Hammock Land. The balance of said track, and back of the above is a fine *SWAMP,* with a heavy growth of *CYPRESS AND READS OR CANE.* At this time carting can be done through any of said Lands. The range for hogs or cattle is the finest I ever saw.—Persons wishing to examine said lands will find me near Westbrook's Post Office, Bladen county, N. C.; and in my absence they will find Mr. John B. Ellis on the land, who will show it. J. A. ROBESON.
October 29th, 1858. 9-tf

Wanted.

NEGROES WANTED.

THE SUBSCRIBER IS IN MARKET FOR A number of likely Negroes, MEN AND WOMEN, BOYS AND GIRLS, for which the highest cash prices will be paid. Those having such property to dispose of will find it to their advantage to call on the subscriber at Wilmington.
DAVID J. SOUTHERLAND.
June 27th, 1856. 43-tf

NEGROES WANTED.

THE SUBSCRIBER, residing a few miles from Clinton, Sampson County, desires to purchase NEGROES ranging from five to thirty years of age—men, women, boys and girls. The highest cash prices will be paid. He may be called on as above, or addressed by letter at Clinton Post Office. EVERET PETERSON.
May 21, 1858. 38-6m

FARMERS LOOK OUT.

ALL WHO WISH TO SELL NEGROS WILL FIND it to their interest to address me at Clinton, or visit me at home, as all who know me know I give exceedingly high prices, and that without jewing or telling that Negros have fallen. I wish to make an investment soon, as I have but little to invest. Address, LUKE A. POWELL.
Aug. 3.–1-9m.* Clinton, Sampson Co., N. C.

ROYAL HAVANA LOTTERY.
THE FOLLOWING NUMBERS DREW THE PRINCIPAL Prizes in the Drawing of November 27th, 1858.

Numbers.	Prizes.	Numbers.	Prizes.
8,454	$100,000	12,083	$2,000
9 848	50,000	13,716	2,000
3,471	30,000	24,929	2,000
18,129	15,000	26,060	2,000
17,598	10,000	26,570	2,000
7,876	2,000		

Nos. 4,476, 8,690, 14,540, 14,545, 17,536, 17,531, 19,208, 19,672, 26,547, 26,714, $1,000 each.
The next Drawing of this celebrated Lottery will take place on the 18th of December. For particulars see advertisement in another column.
DON RODRIGUEZ, Charleston, S. C.
Dec. 10th. 81&16-1t*
☞Whole Ticket No. 9,848, $50,000, sold by me in the above drawing in Chicago, Illinois.

Schools.

WAYNE FEMALE COLLEGE.
THE SPRING SESSION OF THIS FLOURISHING INstitution, located in Goldsboro', N. C., will commence on Thursday, the 6th of January, 1859.
Our location is peculiarly adapted to suit the *Eastern portions* of North Carolina, Virginia and South Carolina. Those who send their daughters and wards into the middle and Western sections of the State to be educated, expose them to imminent danger. For after they have passed the winter and spring in those sections, then for them to remove to the Eastern counties to spend their vacation in *June and July,* is, to say the least, very hazardous to their health. Few constitutions can sustain the sudden transition without injury. But Goldsboro' is situated just near the dividing line, having the low country on the East and the hill country on the West; and our pupils from the seaboard can safely visit their homes at any season of the year, and not be in such danger from too great change of climate. Let the people of Eastern Carolina, then, continue to sustain their own cherished institution.
Board and Tuition, including washing, lights, fuel and furnished rooms, $71 50 per session. Ornamental branches at the customary prices. Lessons in *vocal music* given without charge. For a Catalogue, address the undersigned.
S. M. FROST, President.
Dec. 10, 1858. 15-4w

HILLSBOROUGH MILITARY ACADEMY.
ON JANUARY 12th, 1859, the Institution above named will be opened at Hillsborough, N. C., to be conducted in chief by Capt. C. C. Tew, now Superintendent of the State Military Academy, at Columbia, South Carolina, and Mr. W. D. Gaillard, a graduate of the South Carolina Military Academy, and an instructor of approved experience.—The drill, discipline and course of studies, will assimilate as nearly as practicable to those of the Virginia and South Carolina State Military Institutions. The studies of the first two years, or preparatory course, will be, Arithmetic, Algebra, English Grammar, History of the United States. History of England, Ancient History, Mythology, Geography, French and Latin. The details of the advanced course will be announced hereafter.
The Academic year will continue uniaterruptedly from January 12th to the fourth week in November.
The charge will be $300 per annum, payable as follows: $100 at the commencement of the Academic year; $100 on May 1st, and $100 on August 1st, for which the Academy will provide instruction, text books, stationery, quarters, board, fuel, lights, washing, clothing, (except shirts, drawers, and socks,) and medical attendance.
No pupil will be admitted under 13 or over 18 years of age, or who cannot read and write with facility.
Pupils will be received as day scholars for drill and instruction at the rate of $105 per annum, payable in three equal instalments at the dates above mentioned. But in this case they will be provided with arms and accoutrements only, and no responsibility will rest upon the Academy except during the hours at which such pupils are actually engaged on drill or at recitation.
For further information address the undersigned at Columbia, S. C., until January 1st, after that date at Hillsborough, N. C. C. C. TEW.
Oct. 1st, 1858. 5-12t-w.

SCHOOL BOOKS.

THE ATTENTION OF THE CITIZENS OF Wilmington, New Hanover and adjoining Counties, is called to the large and extensive assortment of SCHOOL BOOKS recently received by them, and which they offer for sale upon the most reasonable terms. MERRRILL & PIERCE.
Sept. 30th, 1858 21-1t—5-tf

LENOIR COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE.
MALE AND FEMALE.
LEVI BRANSON, A. B., Principal of Male Department.
MISS S. L. HAMPTON, in charge of Female Department.
THE SESSION IS NOW OPENING FINELY. OUR ACcommodations are good, and we are aiming at a high grade of scholarship. We hope to meet the educational wants of Eastern Carolina. Thanks to our friends for liberal patronage.
Board in advance, is $6 50; Tuition from $10 to $15; Ornamentals extra. For Catalogues apply to the Principal at Lenoir Institute, Lenoir County, N. C., or to W. HENRY CUNNINGGINS, Secretary.
Sept. 4th, 1857 1-tf

NEW BOOKS FOR AGENTS.
SOLD ONLY BY SUBSCRIPTION.
WANTED.—AN AGENT IN EVERY COUNTY to engage in the sale of THREE NEW WORKS, beautifully illustrated, entitled "MONUMENT TO THE MEMORY OF HENRY CLAY," giving a complete and reliable Biography of HENRY CLAY, his most able and important Speeches, and also fifteen Eulogies and Orations, delivered at Washington and other parts of the Union, on the occasion of his death—subscription price, $2 00; "THE LAND WE LIVE IN: OR, TRAVELS AND ADVENTURES IN NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICA," price $3 50, and "HOWARD'S DOMESTIC MEDICINE," containing over 1,000 large octavo pages, price $4 00. Circulars, giving full information, with Terms to Agents, sent on application. Address,
LUANE RULISON, Publisher,
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900 TO 1000 BALES OF COTTON PER ANNUM.
I AM STILL MANUFACTURING AT THE ROCKY MT. MILLS, Edgecombe county, N. C., 900 to 1000 Bales Cotton per annum, and will deliver at any of our Railroad depots, free of freights, to punctual customers, on 3 months time, or discount of 2½ per cent. for cash, COTTON YARN, SEINE TWINE, PLOW LINES, &c.
Orders addressed to WILLIAM S. BATTLE, Rocky Mt., Edgecombe county, N. C., will be promptly attended to.
March 25, 1858 30-10m*

BOARD.
HAVING TAKEN THE ROCK SPRING HOTEL THE ensuing year, and engaged the services of a gentleman and his Wife, both experienced Hotel-keepers, I will receive Boarders by the month, week or day, on reasonable terms. My table will be supplied with the best the market will afford.
I have determined that the fare shall not be surpassed by any house in town. GEO. ALDERMAN.
Sept. 30th, 1858. 21-1w—5-3m*

PUBLIC DAY IN DUPLIN COUNTY.
THE CLERKS OF THE SEVERAL COURTS OF THE county of Duplin, the Register, the sheriff and other officers of said county, *for public convenience,* have agreed that they will meet in future, at the Court House in Kenansville, *ON MONDAY OF EACH WEEK,* for the transaction of business connected with their several offices.
THOMAS J. CARR, Sh'ff.
September 1st, 1858. 4-3m*

BANK OF WILMINGTON.
THIS BANK HAS DECLARED A DIVIDEND OF FOUR per cent., payable on the 10th inst.
S. JEWETT, Cashier.
December 1, 1858. 73-3t—14-3t

☞The following bill concerning the Wilmington & Weldon Railroad, was a few days since introduced in the House of Commons by R. K. BRYAN, Esq:

A BILL CONCERNING THE WIL. & WEL. R. R. Co.

WHEREAS: By virtue of, and in accordance with the provisions of an act of the General Assembly of this State entitled "An Act concerning the Wilmington & Raleigh Railroad Company," ratified the 27th day of January, 1849, said Wilmington & Raleigh Railroad Company executed their bonds in the aggregate amounting to the sum of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars which have been endorsed by the Public Treasurer of this State, and for the payment of the principal money and the interest on the same, the faith of this State is pledged, fifty thousand dollars of which said bonds are payable on the first day of January, 1859, fifty thousand dollars on the first day of January, 1860, fifty thousand dollars on the first day of January, 1861, fifty thousand dollars on the first day of January, 1862, and the remaining fifty thousand on the first day of January, 1863; and *whereas,* the corporate name of said Wilmington & Baleigh Railroad Company has been changed to that of the Wilmington & Weldon Railroad Company; and said Wilmington & Weldon Railroad Company upon the payment of the bonds issued as aforesaid to enable it to meet such exigencies as may arise in its business and finances may find it necessary to issue bonds to an amount in the aggregate not exceeding two hundred thousand dollars, as is hereinafter provided.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of North Carolina, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That upon the payment by the Wilmington & Weldon Railroad Company of the bonds endorsed by the Public Treasurer, referred to in the preamble hereto, which are payable on the first day of January, 1859, and of those also which are payable on the first day of January, 1860, in the whole amounting to one hundred thousand dollars, together with the interest which may have accrued on the same, it shall be lawful for said Wilmington & Weldon Railroad Company to make their bonds payable to the Public Treasurer of the State of North Carolina in any sums not less than five hundred dollars, and in the aggregate not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, which shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding seven per cent. *per annum,* payable semi-annually, the principal money of which shall be payable ten years, or any shorter time from the date of the same respectively, and upon the payment by the said Wilmington & Weldon Railroad Company of the bonds endorsed by the Public Treasurer referred to

THE WILMINGTON JOURNAL.

WILMINGTON, N. C., FRIDAY, DEC. 17, 1858.

A Suggestion.

Inasmuch as the members of our present Legislature, or a majority of them, seem determined to kill off indiscriminately every measure that comes before them, it is respectfully suggested that they finish the good work by killing themselves off. If any feel patriotically inclined to commit suicide, we would state, for their information, that there is capital drowning ground any where along our wharves—deep water and a strong under-tow. The Christmas holidays, now rapidly approaching, will afford a pleasant leisure for the performance of the above act of patriotic devotion.

Seriously, are not Legislatures and legislators queer people? Here in North Carolina, some time ago, we were running Railroads to Beaufort Harbor, where there was no trade, and the State was getting bled to death. We were appropriating money to carry the Western Extension through the bowels of the Blue Ridge, and all other ridges, to the Tennessee line. We were giving State credit and State money to that ——, well, we will not say what,—but to the N. C. Railroad. We were buying a bad white-pine-looking cast of Houdon's Washington, for more than twice its value; and now all these expenses incurred, or the works commenced with them, might go to the devil before our Legislature would give a cent to fence them in, or keep them from rotting. We had the fever some time ago. We have got the chill now. And, to tell the truth, we don't much wonder. We have seen so many patriots with axes to grind, the people, to use old Mr. Benton's expression, have been so much bamboozled, that they have lost all faith. But a Legislature composed of able and sensible men, the ablest General Assembly that has convened for years, ought to be above mere panic terrors—be prepared to act intelligently, as well as economically—in fact, to proceed with *true* economy. And, by the way, speaking of economy, we think both Houses might set a sublime example of respect for the weakness of the State purse, by refusing, unanimously and magnanimously, to touch a cent of the *per diem* compensation. They would then be acting up to the high standard they have established. They would be setting aside a wasteful precedent, established by former extravagant Legislatures, and, above all, they would be restoring that grand and glorious equilibrium between "preach and pay," which is dear to the heart alike of saint, of savage and of sage.

But the session is not over yet. We trust that before it concludes, wiser and more consistent councils will prevail. We have no idea that the Legislature should plunge into extravagance or reckless expenditure. We only trust that it may not be guilty of that most ruinous of all kinds of extravagance, which, under the guise of economy, sacrifices the results of former labors and expenditures—shuts down upon meritorious objects, when doing so implies neither more nor less than flat injustice, and, through a panic fear, refuses to again lend credit to those who have never abused it.

We desire to speak respectfully of and feel respectfully towards the Legislature of our State. It embraces among its members, in both Houses, a large proportion of intelligence and character. It is only necessary that it should act in a manner worthy of itself—we feel hurt when it does not, and we express our feelings pretty plainly. We care little for honied words or courtly phrases.

☞ Further advices go far to confirm our first impressions regarding the serious character of the turn which affairs have taken with regard to Central America. It will be seen by our telegraphic dispatch from Washington, that these transactions are regarded in the same light by the officials at the seat of government, that is, provided official advices confirm the reports already unofficially made. It would, indeed, be difficult to conceive how the result could be different. The boarding of an American vessel by the boats of a British man-of-war, is a matter which cannot be got over or permitted to pass. It would seem that Commodore McIntosh, our naval commander on that station, arrived soon after the occurrence, with the steam frigate Roanoke, when he protested against the conduct of the officers of the Leopard and Valorous, and stated that further visits would not be permitted.—They ought not to have been permitted at first. This plan of the British officers and authorities to commit an outrage, then promise not to do it again, and forthwith doing it is getting to be rather a stale farce; a disreputable and disrespectful dodge which is now fully understood.

The news by the Persia leaves little doubt of the intention of England and France to interfere with a high hand in the affairs of this continent, and this without much regard either to the rights or feelings of the people of this country. The puerile course of our Senate during the last session of Congress was well calculated to invite aggression. Every free soil Senator, from Seward down, thought it incumbent upon him to talk cannon balls and bomb-shells, but when the test came, it appeared equally a matter of duty to refuse to vote any increase to our naval force, or even to give the President authority to use the little force that we have already on foot. We sometimes hear even well-informed persons speak of the imbecile course of our Administrations in their foreign policy. We cannot agree with them. The messages of every President, for years past, have asked for powers which Congress has refused to grant. The Executive of the United States has no war-making power. Why, the little State of New Granada can refuse satisfaction for the outrages upon our citizens on the Isthmus, and she does refuse it, and keeps refusing it. The Executive may make diplomatic demands, but cannot enforce them, and Congress refuses to grant the power. How, then, is the Executive to be held responsible?

We must await further developements, but as matters now stand, or appear to stand, it cannot be denied that things look more critical than they have done for years.

It will be seen that Mr. Clingman has moved in the Senate for the abrogation of the Clayton Bulwer treaty. It is proper to remark that congressional action in this direction can only be advisory. The initiative belongs, constitutionally, to the President of the United States.

☞ Messrs. A. B. Chapin & Co., have issued a prospectus for the publication of a new paper at Carolina City, to be called the "Carolina City Times,"—"independent in all things and neutral in nothing." The proprietors say that their best energies "will be directed to any and all measures tending to advance the interests of Beaufort Harbour; and particularly to keep people posted on what we are really doing. With this determination they will furnish a faithful record of all statistics which may be in their power to obtain, in addition to any commercial information which can conduce to the welfare of our mercantile interests. The want of such a Journal is felt by every intelligent citizen who desires to be at all acquainted with the resources of Beaufort Harbour—our present condition, future prospects, &c.

"The Times will give the latest market reports; arrival and departure of vessels from this port; and its columns will afford the latest intelligence both foreign and domestic. Special care will be taken to give a full and accurate summary of State news." Terms.—Two Dollars a year, invariably in advance.

☞ No North Carolina paper, that has expressed any opinion at all upon the Coalfields R. R., has failed to regret the failure of the bill for granting it assistance. Certainly, no paper that we have seen; if there be any, have not come under our eye, and we would doubt being entitled to be considered North Carolina wherever they may be published.

☞ We publish elsewhere certain extracts and further details bearing upon the recent occurrences at San Juan. By the way, we find the Virginia papers milder than milk upon this affair. They cannot be made to see anything wrong in Navy officers. Does Virginia belong to the Navy officers, or do the Navy officers belong to Virginia. We recollect how the whole press of that State howled over the Retiring Board. There must have been F. F. V.'s concerned—somewhat, if not more.

It will be seen that a new face is put upon the matter. It is contended that the visitation of American vessels in the harbor of San Juan, is no violation of the British agreement to abandon the "right of visit" on the high seas. They claim a protectorate. This, if less insulting is still more serious.

☞ It will be seen that Judge Ruffin accepts the appointment of Supreme Court Judge, tendered him by the Legislature. We are glad of it. The abilities and reputation of Judge Ruffin are second to those of no lawyer in the country, and his name will add weight to the decisions of the Supreme Court. He certainly looked hale and vigorous when we saw him, in January last, and, no doubt, has much good service in him yet; still, we would much have preferred that he had never left the bench at 66, on the ground of age, only to come back to it again at 72. We are all feeble mortals, and the wisest are not without their weaknesses and inconsistencies, and this is one of them.

TRUE TO THE LAST, or, Alone on a Wide, Wide Sea. By A. S. Roe, author of "I've been Thinking," etc., is the title of a neatly printed and handsomely bound volume of 384 pages, laid on our table by Mr. Geo. H. Kelley, Market Street, who has it for sale. Derby & Jackson, 119 Nassau Street, New York, are the publishers. We have not yet found time to do more than glance over the title page.

☞ We have before us the "Report of the North Carolina Geological Survey; Agriculture of the Eastern counties; together with descriptions of the Fossils of the Marl Beds." Illustrated by Engravings.—By Ebeneezer Emmons. Raleigh: Henry D. Turner, 1858. Printed by Holden & Wilson.

This report is made to His Excellency, Thomas Bragg, Governor of North Carolina, and dated, Raleigh, March, 1, 1858. It contains 314 octavo pages.

Neither from the book nor the envelope can we learn exactly to whose courtesy we are indebted for the copy before us, so we have mentioned all parties whose names appear. We shall do more. If we find anything that will be of practical benefit to our subscribers we will republish it, or, the substance of it, as soon as our leisure will permit us to make a proper examination of the contents of the "Report."

North Carolina Legislature.

[Reported Expressly for the Journal.]

MONDAY, Dec. 13.—SENATE.—Several bills of minor importance were reported on, which will be noted as brought up.

Mr. Cherry introduced a bill to authorize the subscription to the stock by the State in the Chesapeake and Albemarle Canal Company.

The special order—the bill to establish a new county by the name of Clingman out of the county of Henderson, &c., was discussed at length by Messrs. Edney and Thomas in support, and Mr. Steele against the measure. The question was ultimately postponed 'till Wednesday next.

The bill ceding jurisdiction to the U. S. for a site on Deep River for national works, was laid on the table, and the bill relative to a site for a Court House and Post Office in Raleigh, re-committed to the Judiciary Committee.

The bill to amend the 119th sec. 34th chap. Revised Code, was rejected. Proposed to make a failure of certain Clerks and Sheriffs to do their duty, a misdemeanor.

Quite a number of unimportant bills passed their 2d reading—the resolution (engrossed) providing for the distribution of Dr. Emmons' Report its 3d reading.

A message to go into an election of Trustees of the University was tabled. Adjourned.

In the House, to-day, the following bills were introduced:

Mr. Foy, a bill to incorporate the New River Navigation Company.

Mr. Purdie, a bill to repeal section 21, 17th chap. of Revised Code concerning the militia.

The resolution to make Saturday private bill day was repealed.

The bill to give property owned by wife before marriage to her after marriage, introduced by Mr. Dortch. This bill produced a lengthy, able and amusing discussion. Messrs. Dortch, Kerr, Fleming, Dargan and Outlaw engaged in it. The bill was laid on the table temporarily.

A bill to incorporate Carolina Male College (Cabarrus county) passed its 3d reading.

Also, a bill for benefit of securities of Caleb Klutts.

A bill to incorporate the Wilmington Hotel Company passed its 2d reading.

Also, a bill to allow 12 Magistrates to constitute a majority in the county of Onslow.

A bill to make the attack of a slave upon a white man with intent to kill, murder, and striking a white man, felony, after much discussion, was rejected.

Also, a bill to abolish the militia system.

A bill to allow Magistrates of Cumberland to appoint an extra term of County Court, passed.

A bill to prevent persons from fishing in the waters of Onslow, except its citizens, was rejected. Mr. Foy spoke in its favor. Messrs. Leffers and Farrow against it.

A bill to alter the Constitution so as to allow Jews to hold office, was laid on the table.

TUESDAY, Dec. 14.—SENATE.—The Committee on the Judiciary reported a bill allowing Sheriffs till the first Court after 31st December, to make their settlements of taxes with the public treasurer. Also, a report against the passage of the bill to appoint tax collectors for the several counties.

Mr. Douthitt introduced a bill to incorporate the Bank of Lexington. Referred.

Mr. Thomas offered a resolution instructing the Committee on the Judiciary to enquire into the expedency of authorizing the Governor to apply for and collect the moneys due from the general government to the Cherokee Indians. Adopted.

Mr. Leach introduced a bill to establish a new county by the name of King. Referred.

Amongst a number of Western Plankroad bills, the bill introduced by Mr. Houston, relative to Auctions and Auctioneers passed its third reading. This bill gives to Commissioners of incorporated town the appointment of Auctioneers, in other cases to County Courts. It also remedies defects in the revenue law which allowed Sheriffs to collect a tax of 5 per cent. on the *gross* sales of auctioneers, without regard to the receipts in such sales from goods except from taxation.

The special order, the bill to abolish the Geological Survey of the State, consumed the balance of the Session. The bill was supported by Messrs. Steele, Ashe, Edney and Battle, and opposed by Messrs. Donnell, Pool, McDonald and others. Ultimately the bill passed by a vote of 30 to 15.

The vote by which the bill to amend the 119th section 34th chapter Revised Code, defeated yesterday, was reconsidered, and the bill recommitted.

Adjourned.

In the HOUSE, to-day, a pretty large quantity of business was done. A number of engrossed bills were sent in from the Senate, but none of any interest to your section.

The following bills were introduced:

Mr. Moore, of New Hanover, a bill to create a new county to be called Lillington, out of a portion of New Hanover.

The Greensboro' and Danville Railroad was, to-day, reported unfavorably.

No other bill was introduced of any interest to the public generally, or your readers.

The bill to aid the Wilmington and Weldon Railroad Company was to-day discussed.

Mr. Moore, of New Hanover, spoke first upon it, and stated the objects of the bill. On his motion the 8th section was struck out.

Mr. Norwood moved to strike out 7 per cent. and insert 6 per cent.

Mr. Bryan opposed the amendment. Money was worth more than 6 per cent., and capitalists would not invest at that. Other corporations were allowed to borrow at 7 and 8 per cent.

Mr. Caldwell, of Guilford, favored Mr. Norwood's amendment. He had opposed the N. C. R. R. loan at 8 per cent. at the last session.

Mr. McKay was opposed to Mr. Norwood's amendment. Six per cent. bonds would not sell as well in market as 7 per cent., and though the rate of interest was higher, it would, in the end, be cheaper for the Company.

Messrs. D. F. Caldwell and Norwood replied.

Mr. Bridgers favored Mr. Norwood's amendment.—Amendment adopted.

Mr. Norwood, another amendment to make the bonds payable to bearer. Accepted.

Mr. Smith moved to strike out the 9th section. Accepted.

Mr. Norwood, an amendment providing for a foreclosure. Accepted.

Mr. Morehead spoke against the bill.

Mr. Meares spoke in its favor.

Mr. Norman, an amendment that the bonds shall not be exchanged below par. Carried.

The bill was then rejected by the following vote:

YEAS.—Baird, Barbee, Bridgers, Bryan, of N. Han., Bullock, Costner, Dancy, Dargan, Dickson, Fagg, Faison, Foy, Gardener, Hall of Rowan, Hill of Halifax, Higgins, Jones, of Orange, Kerr, Kirby, Leak, Long, Love, McKay, Meares, Moore, of N. Han'er., Norman, Norwood, Outlaw, Purdie, Ripley, Shaw, Smith, Sparrow, Stanford, Waddill, Walker, Ward, Washburne, Waters, Whitfield, Williams—41.

NAYS.—Badham, Baxter, Blount, Bummell, Bryson, Burns, Burke, Caldwell of Burke, Caldwell of Guil., Chambers, Clapp, Cox of Jones, Cox of Pitt, Craven, Dockery, Dortch, Dula, Eller, Flemming, Fries, Gaither, of Iredell, Gatling, Green of Chatham, Hargrove, Harrington, Henry, Hester, Hill of Stokes, Holdsclaw, Hutchins, Leffers, Lewis, Lyon, McCotter, Martin, Masten, Moore of Martin, Morehead, Morgan, Newby, Pritchard, Ransom, Reagan, Reeves, Roney, Sanders, Scales, Sherrill, Simonton, Simpson, Smallwood, Speer, Speight, Stephens, Taylor, Tomlinson, Thompson, Thornburg, Wallace, Walser, Wilson, Windley, Woodfin—63.

Messrs. Caldwell, of Burke, and Dortch, of Wayne, changed their votes in order to move a reconsideration.

The bill to abolish the office of State Geologist, was then taken up, discussed on one side, and rejected by yeas 101, nays 5. A motion to reconsider brought up the discussion again, when able speeches were made against it by Messrs. Morehead and Sparrow. The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

House then adjourned.

THURSDAY, Dec. 16.—SENATE.—The Committee on Banks, &c., reported favorably on the bill to amend the charter of the Bank of Cape Fear, with an unimportant amendment. Also the bill to amend the charter of the N. C. Railroad Company.

A resolution instructing the committee on banks, &c., to consider the expediency of re-chartering the Bank of the State or to charter some other Bank, and report by bill or otherwise.

A bill was introduced to incorporate the Fairfield Canal Company; also to incorporate the Bank of North Carolina; also, to incorporate the Lake Landing Canal Company.

The bill extending the time of Sheriffs settling their accounts of County revenue passed its second reading.

The bill to provide for the appointment of tax collectors in the several counties was rejected.

Mr. Houston, on behalf of the committee appointed to correspond with Hon. Thos. Ruffin, to ascertain whether he would accept the office of Supreme Court Judge, reported Judge Ruffin's acceptance.

The county of Clingman, being the special order, was again discussed. An amendment offered by Mr. Edney was rejected, and the further consideration of the bill postponed till to-morrow. Adjourned.

In the HOUSE, to-day, the the following bills were introduced:

Mr. Hutchins, a bill to charter the the Deep River Coal Fields Railroad. Provides for a Road from the Coal Fields to some point on the N. C. R. R.

One or two other bills of a private nature were introduced.

Mr. Taylor's contested seat came up for discussion.—Messrs. Taylor, Kerr, Morehead, Hall, of Warren, and Dortch spoke upon it. All in favor of Mr. Taylor's retaining his seat. It was decided in his favor by yeas 94, nays 6.

The bill to incorporate the Greensboro' and Danville Railroad, was made the special order for Tuesday next.

A bill to limit the term of office of the Sheriff of Columbus to two years was rejected. Mr. Stephens made some remarks in its favor.

A bill to prevent horse-stealing, passed its 2d reading.

Mr. Foy's bill declaring Steamboat lines and Railroads highways, was rejected. House adjourned.

Proceedings of the North Carolina Annual Methodist Episcopal Conference, for 1858.

FOURTH DAY.

SATURDAY, Dec. 11.—Conference was opened by the usual religious exercises conducted by Rev. Thomas S. Campbell.

Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

An invitation to the Conference to an excursion down the river on the Steamer Post Boy, was received from Mr. Jarvis, Agent, whereupon a resolution of thanks for the courtesy was voted, but, on account of the press of business, the invitation was declined.

[No doubt regretfully by many. Reporter.]

Rev. Mr. Page, of the Methodist Protestant Church, Rev. Mr. Deems of the Virginia Conference, and E. E. Parham, President of the Warrenton Female College were introduced to the Conference.

Roscoe Hooker, James M. Watson, William Williams and James W. O'Bryan, were elected to deacon's orders.

James D. Ballard was elected to elder's orders.

Rev. E. W. Sehon, D. D., Missionary Secretary and Dr. Taylor of Charleston, Corresponding Secretary of the Sunday School enterprise, were introduced and invited to seats in Conference.

A resolution was adopted for calling a meeting at the Conference room, at 3 o'clock to-day, for the purpose of organizing a Conference Sabbath School Society.

Rev. B. T. Blake offered a set of resolutions defining certain rules of ecclesiastical law, in relation to the trial of offenders, &c., which were laid on the table.

On motion it was resolved that the accounts of money due from ministers to the Missionary Board, be placed in the hands of Rev. Mr. Wood for collection.

The character of Rev. R. C. Maynard was passed and he was placed on the effective list. Rev. D. B. Nicholsol, W. I. Langdon and James E. Mann were also passed.

The name of Rev. C. F. Deems, D. D., being called, Dr. Wm. Carter objected to the passage of his character, as he had charges to prefer against him. Dr. Deems requested that the doors should be opened during the investigation of the charges; as it had already reached the public ear in every direction that charges would be preferred, he thought it right and due to him that the investigation should be public. There being no objection, the request was granted by a vote of the Conference.

The charges were then read by Dr. Carter, which embrace the original charges preferred by Dr. Wm. A. Smith against Dr. Deems, at the session of Conference, held at Pittsboro' in 1854, and an additional charge of immorality, with six specifications. These we will give when they come to be argued.

Dr. Carter went into an argument to show that the old charges might now be rightfully preferred and tried because, first, the settlement at Pittsboro' was not a legal trial; secondly, that two of the Bishops had expressed an informal opinion that it was not a legal trial, and, thirdly, that Dr. Deems himself had declared in his pamphlet that it was no legal trial. He concluded by submitting two questions upon the law in the case, to the decision of the Bishop, which questions were afterwards withdrawn for revision.

Dr. Deems combatted the arguments, showing from the records of the Conference that he was tried on the charges and acquitted triumphantly; secondly, that the opinions of the Bishops alluded to, was made up without the evidence or upon *ex parte* representations of the evidence, and further, being informal, had no weight in this matter. He showed from his pamphlet that he had not denied being tried on Dr. Smith's charges, by the Conference at Pittsboro', but that he denied being tried by the *Committee* of that Conference, the members of which were not his peers and, therefore, could not try him.

During the discussion the speakers were several times interrupted by members who wished to make explanations. We shall allude to this more particularly in another place. The hour of adjournment was twice postponed to give the speakers time to offer their arguments.

After Dr. Deems closed his remarks, Conference adjourned to meet on Monday at the usual hour.

FIFTH DAY.

MONDAY, Dec. 13th.—Conference convened Bishop Kavanaugh in the Chair. Religious exercises conducted by Rev. Joseph H. Wheeler.

Minutes of Saturday's proceedings were read and approved.

Rev. J. W. Lewis asked and obtained leave of absence during the remainder of the session.

The special order of the day, the consideration of the report of the committee on the Book Depository, was postponed for the present, and

The questions presented by Dr. Carter to the Bishop for legal decision and withdrawn for revision, on Saturday, were read.

Dr. Deems objected to the questions in their present form going before the Bishop, as they were changed in form from those originally presented, and that without his knowledge. Reiterated the declaration that he was not tried by the *committee*, at Pittsboro' in 1853, but by the *Conference*. He declared his readiness to be tried on the charges now or at any time. At Pittsboro' he was not fully prepared, having received no notice of the charges beforehand; but is now fully prepared to meet the old charges, if it be legal to try them, as well as the new. Dr. D. objected to a decision on the second question, as such decision would be prejudging a fact embodied in the 5th specification of the new charge of Dr. Carter. Thought that Dr. C., in withdrawing his questions and putting them in a different form to that which they were at first presented and argued, did him (Dr. D.) wrong, but he was willing to forgive him, this time.

At this point, Bishop K. explained that it was at his suggestion the questions were withdrawn, in order that they might be put in such shape as to cover the *law* in the case instead of the *facts*.

Dr. Carter wished to explain. He took the position that the articles of settlement at Pittsboro' had been violated, disturbance to the Church had resulted; he wished the matter settled; he does not wish to disturb the harmony of the church nor traverse her laws, and is willing to submit to her decisions. Thought Dr. Deems provoked the investigation or trial at Pittsboro', when Dr. Stuart promised to have Smith there, which he did. Don't know whether Dr. Deems had been notified or not.

Dr. Deems replied by stating emphatically that he had not been notified of the charges that were preferred at Pittsboro'. This war was opened upon him about the time that Dr. Early was made Bishop—thinks this at least a remarkable coincidence. Dr. Smith had been speaking of him (Dr. D.) behind his back and was expected, of course, to intend to bring charges before the Conference of 1854. When he found that Dr. Smith was not there, he desired the action on the passage of his character should be postponed until Dr. Smith could arrive.

Dr. Carter thought the difficulty originated earlier than the election of Bishop Early; that it originated on the way to the General Conference in 1854, about a certain letter, and called on Rev. Wm. Closs to corroborate him. Mr. Closs rose upon this call and stated that he thought the occurrence alluded to was a mere part of electioncering tactics before the General Conference.

Dr. Carter resumed. He thought the fact undeniable that the terms of settlement had been violated; said he did not allege that Dr. Smith had violated them or that Dr. Deems had; he merely stated a fact. [The reporter does not pretend to give explanation, he gives only declarations and facts.]

The discussion was rather desultory. The Bishop called Rev. P. Doub, D. D., to the Chair and retired to write out his decision upon the questions referred to him, after an additional amendment suggested by himself.

Reports from Warrenton Female College, from Wayne Female College and from Glen Anna Female Seminary, were read and referred to the Committee on Education.

Special order of the day was then resumed and the report of the Committee on Book Depository was adopted, with the following amendments, viz:—in article 1st, strike out "publication," insert "and Tract." Article 4th amended so as to make the surplus over 8 *per cent.* profits payable to the Publishing House at Nashville, Tenn. For the 5th article the following substitute was adopted. "The buisiness shall be conducted by a Book Committe of five, who shall be annually nominated by the Conference and elected by the Stockholders."

For the article 6th the following substitute: The election of the Book Agent and Book committee shall be at the annual meeting of the North Carolina Conference.

Article 9th, "Book Committee" substituted for "Directors."

Article 10th, add "provided, that each alteration shall be sanctioned by the Conference," and in same article, strike out "North Carolina Christian Advocate" and "three months," and insert "Organ of the Conference" and "two months."

Pending the discussion of the report, it was moved that when the Conference adjourn, it adjourn to meet at 3 P. M.

The report being adopted as a whole, as amended, on motion Conference adjourned to meet at 3 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference opened; religious exercises conducted by Rev. J. Tillett.

Minutes of morning session read and adopted.

On motion it was resolved to fill the blank in report of the committee on the Book Directory as to the location of the agency. Raleigh, Wilmington, Newbern, Goldsboro', and Greensboro' were put in nomination.—A discussion ensued, confined principally, as to the relative advantages of Raleigh and Wilmington. The nominations of Newbern and Goldsboro' were withdrawn and, the vote being taken, Raleigh was selected, on the first ballot, as the locality for the agency.

A report from Olin High School was received and referred to the committee on Education.

Rev. S. M. Frost asked leave of absence during the remainder of the session, which was granted.

On motion Conference adjourned.

SIXTH DAY.

TUESDAY, Dec. 14.—Conference convened, Bishop Kavanaugh in the Chair, and opened with reading, singing and prayer, by Rev. L. S. Birkhead.

Minutes of yesterday's afternoon session were read and adopted.

Committee on Education reported in part and the report adopted. This report was of Normal College, and recommends the continuance of the present College Agent, Rev. John N. Andrews, and the appointment of an additional Agent. The report was adopted.

The case of Dr. Deems was resumed. Bishop Kavanaugh read his decisions upon the questions submitted to him by Dr. Carter on Saturday.

Dr. Carter then withdrew both charges and submitted a paper to that effect, with a request that it be spread upon the record. Dr. Deems objecting to the withdrawal of the charges at this stage of the proceedings, Dr. Carter withdrew the said paper, and made a verbal withdrawal of the charges.

Dr Deems urged that the charges could not be withdrawn after legal proceedings had commenced, and quoted the ruling of Bishop Andrew, at Petersburg in 1855, to sustain the position.

Bishop Kavanaugh was understood as making a verbal and informal decision that Dr. Carter had the right to withdraw the charges. Hereupon considerable irregular discussion arose and many efforts made by Dr. Deems and his friends to have the charges brought by Dr. Carter come to a trial, which efforts were as sedulously combatted by Dr. Carter and his friends.

Dr. Deems submitted a question of law for the decision of the Bishop. Dr. Carter submitted a question, also, on both which the Bishop will, probably, render his decision this forenoon, when the trial will proceed.

Conference adjourned to meet at 3 o'clock.

TUESDAY, Dec. 14, 3 o'clock P. M.—Conference met.—Rev. James Reid in the chair. Religious exercises by Rev. D. M. Barringer.

Minutes of morning session were read, and after being slightly amended, were adopted.

A partial report from committee on Education read and adopted.

A preamble and resolutions containing a plan for assisting to raise funds for Normal College, were offered and on motion, laid on the table for the present.

The committee appointed to report committees of examination of candidates for the ministry and preachers of the first, second, third and fourth years, was received and adopted.

On motion the committee of Finance was instructed to report a plan for meeting the demand for the Bishop's expenses.

The Conference then resolved to select the place for the next meeting of Conference, and upon the vote being taken the town of Beaufort was selected.

A resolution looking to the increase of the Missionary collections in the bounds of the Conference was offered by Rev. R. T. Heflin, and adopted.

Rev. N. F. Reid asked that the committee on memoirs have longer time to report, which was granted.

Rev. Thomas S. Campbell moved that, in accordance with former usage, the young preachers received into connection with the Conference, be required to furnish the Secretary with a short sketch of their lives up to the time of their connection with the Conference—adopted.

On motion Conference adjourned.

Newbern Daily Progress.

From California.

The steamer Moses Taylor, from Aspinwall, arrived at New York on the 12th inst. with advices from California to the 20th ult. She brings 350 passengers and $1,200,000 in gold.

The overland mail of Oct. 25th arrived at San Francisco Nov. 19th. It had no passengers and the advices had been anticipated by the Tehuantepec route.

It appeared upon investigation that $90,000 worth of California State warrants had been issued which were not recorded on the books.

The San Francisco markets had been unsettled, but signs of improvement began to appear by the close of the last fortnight.

Money was unchanged in rates and plentiful.

The receipts of gold dust from the mines were about as usual at this season, and the accounts from the mining regions were encouraging. An unusual number of diggers were employed at higher wages.

LIST OF PREMIUMS

Awarded at the Fourth Annual Fair of the Sampson County Agricultural Society, held in Clinton, on the 2d, 3d and 4th days of December, 1858:

FIELD CROPS.

Best Cultivated Farm, J. R. Beaman,.....$25 00
" 5 acres of low land Corn, 375 bush., J. R. Beaman, 20 00
" " " up " " 270 " Everitt Peterson, 20 00
" 1 " " low " " 92 bush. (100 bushels required for premium,) L. A. Powell.
" 2 " " Wheat, 34½ bushels (30 bushels required for premium,) O. Williamson.

SAMPLE CROPS.

best variety of Corn for bread, John C. Hines,..... 1 00
2d " " " " " Thos. Ashford,..... 50
3d " " " " " L. A. Powell,...Diploma.
" " " " " stock, R. C. Holmes,..... 1 00
2d " " " " " Robert Peterson,.... 50
3d " " " " " E. L. Faison,...Diploma.
" " " Wheat, Ollen Williamson,..... 1 00
2d " " " Thos. Ashford,..... 50
" " " Sweet Potatoes, Thos. Ashford,..... 1 00
2d " " " " Wm. Ashford,..... 50
3d " " " " Curtis Thomson, Diploma.
" bushel Rice, Thos. Bunting,..... 1 00
2d " " " Thos. Ashford,..... 50
" " " Oats, John C. Williams,..... 1 00
" " " Rye, Thos. Bunting,..... 1 00
2d " " Thos. Ashford,..... 50

SINGLE SPECIMENS.

Largest Pumpkin, (123 lbs.,) L. A. Powell,..... 25
" Turnips, Wm. C. Draughorn,..... 25
" Irish Potatoes, John C. Williams,..... 25
" Sweet " L. A. Powell,..... 25
" Ruta Baga, Curtis Thomson,..... 25
" Beet, J. R. Beaman,..... 25
Tallest Colewort, R. Peterson,..... 25

NORTH CAROLINA RAISED CATTLE.

best herd of Devon Cattle, W. A. Faison.
" Devon Bull, 2 years old, M. J. Faison,..... 2 00
" " Cow, over 3 years old, Wm. A. Faison,. 5 00
" " Heifer, 2 years old, Wm. A. Faison,.... 2 00
" Durham Bull, 4 years old, F. J. Faison,..... 5 00
" " " Calf, 13 months old, C. T. Stevens, 2 00
" " " 4 " " F. J. Faison,.. 2 00
" " Cow, F. J. Faison,..... 5 00
" " Heifer, 15 mons. old, Haywood Boykin, 2 00
" " 6 " E. L. Faison,.... 2 00
" Native Cow, Warren Johnson,..... 5 00
" " Heifer, G. W. Hobbs,..... 2 00
" " Calf, G. W. Hobbs,..... 2 00
" lot Yearlings, E. L. Faison,..... 2 00
" Native Bull, 7 years old, Wm. Ashford,..... 5 00
2d " Devon Bull, 2 years old, Wm. A. Faison,..... 1 00
2d " Durham Bull, 19 months old, J. L. Boykin,.... 1 00
2d " " Heifer, 18 mos. old, P. L. Cromartie, 1 00
2d " " Bull Calf, 6 " " E. L. Faison,.... 1 00
2d " " Heifer, 6 " " E. L. Faison,.... 1 00
2d " " Cow, Haywood Boykin,..... 1 00
2d " " Bull, 6 years old, M. J. Faison,..... 1 00
3d " " 15 mos. old, Haywood Boykin, Diploma.
3d " " Cow, F. J. Faison,..... "
3d " " Heifer, Dr. A. Holmes,..... "
3d " " Bull Calf, F. J. Faison,..... "
3d " Devan Bull, 2 years old, Wm. A. Faison,... "

FAT CATTLE AND WORK OXEN.

best Yoke Oxen, Thos. Ashford,..... 5 00
2d " " " Thos. Bunting,..... 2 50
3d " " " G. W. Hobbs,.....Diploma.
" Lot Fat Cattle, Wm. Ashford,..... 5 00
2d " " " Thos. Ashford,..... 2 50
" Single Steer, Wm. A. Faison,..... 2 00

FIRST CLASS HORSES.

best Stallion, over 4 years old, J. P. Faison,.....10 00
2d " " " " Wm. W. Ingram,.. 5 00
" " 3 " M. J. Faison,..... 2 00
" " 2 " James F. Rhodes,.. 2 00
" " 1 " Uriah Williams,.... 2 00
2d " 1 " B. Whitehead,..... 1 00
" Gelded Colt, 3 years old, Thos. W. Devane,.... 2 00
2d " " " " P. Murphy,..... 1 00
" " 2 " Thos. H. Holmes,..... 2 00
2d " " " Jas. W. Wright,..... 1 00
" Mare 4 and under 10 years old, W. C. Draughorn, 10 00
2d " " " " B. Matthis,..... 5 00
" Filly, 3 years old, E. L. Faison,..... 5 00
2d " " " W. L. Faison,..... 2 00
" 2 " " W. C. Draughorn,..... 2 00
" 1 " " R. C. Holmes,..... 2 00
" Brood Mare, with Colt by side, Curtis Thomson, 10 00
2d " " " " Thos. Ashford,.. 5 00
" " Mule Colt, A. N. Matthis,..... 5 00

SECOND CLASS HORSES.

best pair Carriage Horses, R. C. Holmes,..... 5 00
" Draught " Stephen Herring,..... 2 00
" Harness " D. A. Thomson,..... 2 00
2d " " Thos. Ashford,..... 1 00
3d " " Everitt Peterson,...Diploma.
" Saddle " W. E. Barden,..... 2 00
2d " " J. J. Vann,..... 1 00
3d " " A. N. Matthis,.....Diploma.
" Fastest pacing " 3m. 30s., S. Torrence,..... 5 00
2d " " " 3m. 31s., John Cobb,..... 2 00
3d " " 3m. 54s., G. R. Williams, Diploma.
" trotting under saddle, 3m. 30s., Thos. Bunting, 5 00
2d " " " 3m. 45s., W. E. Borden, 2 00
3d " " " 4m. 26s., G. Williamson, Diploma.
" " in harness, 3m. 37s., W. S. Devane,..... 5 00
2d " " " 3m. 52s., J. C. Holmes,..... 2 00
3d " " " 3m. 56s., Thos. Kenear, Diploma.

MULES, JACKS AND JENNETS.

best pair Mules, D. A. Powell,..... 5 00
2d " " D. A. Powell,..... 2 50
" Single " P. Murphy,..... 3 00
4 Mule Colts, A. N. Matthis,..... 1 00
best Jennets and Colt, P. L. Cromartie,..... 3 00
" Jack, Wm. Cobb,..... 3 00
2d " " Wm. Cobb,..... 1 50

SHEEP.

best pair South Downs, R. F. Boykin,..... 2 00
2d " " S. W. Faison,.....Diploma.

DAIRY AND BEES.

best lot of Butter, Mrs. W. H. Faison,..... 1 00
2d " " " Mrs. Thos. Ashford,..... 50

HOUSEHOLD DEPARTMENT.

best lot Leaf Lard, 5 lbs., Mrs. J. L. Boykin,..... 1 00
2d " " " Mrs. A. Johnson,..... 50
" box Tallow Candles, Mrs. J. C. Wright,..... 1 00
2d " " " Mrs. R. Peterson,..... 50
" Loaf Light Bread, Mrs. A. Johnson,..... 1 00
2d " " Mrs. W. Ashford,..... 50
" " Corn " Miss R. Lee,..... 1 00
" " Cake, Mrs. A. Johnson,..... 1 00
2d " " Mrs. J. M. Moseley,..... 50
" Fruit " Miss Kate E. Wright,..... 1 00
" Pound " Mrs. L. C. Graves,..... 1 00
" half bushel Dried Apples, Mrs. Thos. Ashford, 1 00
" " " Peaches, Mrs. W. H. Faison,. 1 00
" " " Pears, Mrs. Thos. Ashford, . 1 00
" Jelly, Mrs. A. Johnson,..... 1 00
2d " " Miss R. Lee,..... 50
" Catsup, Mrs. A. Royal,..... 50
" Preserves, Mrs. E. J. Beatty,..... 50
" Pickles, Mrs. R. A. Mosely,..... 50
2d " " Mrs. A. A. McKoy,..... 50
" Syrups, Mrs. A. Johnson,..... 50
" Brandy Peaches, Dr. Wm. G. Micks,..... 50
2d " " Mrs. R. C. Holmes,..... 50
" Syrup from Chinese Sugar Cane, W. L. Faison, 1 00
2d " " " L. F. Williams, 50
" half bbl. Flour, home-made, J. L. Boykin,..... 2 00

DOMESTIC MANUFACTURE.

best Counterpane, Mrs. W. Ashford,..... 1 00
" " Mrs. A. Royal,..... 1 00
2d " " Mrs. W. H. Herring,..... 50
3d " " Mrs. Henry Stevens,.....Diploma.
" Woolen Blanket, Mrs. W. Ashford,..... 1 00
2d " " Mrs. I. C. Wright,..... 50
" " Jeans, Mrs. W. Ashford,..... 1 00
2d " " Mrs. S. S. Thorenton,..... 50
3d " " Mrs. W. H. Faison,.....Diploma.
" Negro Kersey, Mrs. R. Peterson,..... 1 00
" Woolen Jeans, (Northern dyed,) Mrs. L. A. Powell, 1 00
" Dimety, Mrs. R. Peterson,..... 50
" piece Fringe, Mrs. A. Johnson,..... 25
" blue Check Sheet, Mrs. H. Stevens,..... 50
" Vest Pattern, Mrs. R. Peterson,..... 25
" Wool Socks, W. H. Herring,..... 50
" Cotton and Silk Stockings, Mrs. Wm. Fryer,.. 50
" Childs Knit Cloak, Mrs. J. L. Holmes,..... 50

SWINE.

best fat Hog, D. C. Moore,..... 3 00
2d " " Stephen Peter

British Protectorate of San Juan—United States Vessel Ordered to the Gulf.

WASHINGTON, December 14th.—The "States" of this afternoon says that dispatches received at the Navy Department confirm the intelligence in reference to the recent boarding of the California steamer Washington by British officers. The substance of these dispatches is to the effect that the British officers who boarded the Washington stated as their authority for so doing that Great Britain had, at the request of the Government of Nicaragua, assumed the protectorate of the River of San Juan, and had determined, at all hazards, to search all suspicious vessels entering that river.

The new sloop-of-war Brooklyn has been ordered to the Gulf of Mexico, and will be ready to sail on the 1st of January.

Arrest of Suspected Slavers.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 13.—The "Republican" of this morning says that the yatch Wanderer positively landed a cargo of Africans near Brunswick. Joseph Garnahl, District Attorney, arrested three men on Saturday, believed to be implicated in the affair, and hailing from New Orleans. Both Garnahl and the United States Marshal are using every exertion to obtain evidence in the case. They have sent to Brunswick to elict information for an examination, which will probably take place on Thursday. They have also despatched a steam tug to tow the Wanderer to Savannah, but the shipmaster on board refused to give her up. It is reported that Collector Darien states that the Wanderer bears no traces of having had slaves on board. The "Republican" says that it is rumoured that the Africans were landed at Jekely Island, and that a steamer which left Savannah, took on board one hundred and fifty and conveyed them past Savannah to the river plantations, where they have been scattered through the country. The cargo is supposed to have consisted of 350 negroes The Wanderer hails from St. Helena, but is without regular papers, there having been no Consul there; but she has informal papers from native officials with seals.

The Visit of the British Officers to the Washington.

Capt. Churchill, of the Washington, give the following statement of the British steamer's movements against him:

English officers with side-arms came on board, and asked him among other questions—

Where he was from?

How many passengers he had on board?

If he stopped at any port on his way out?

How many days he was from New York?

He answered these. They then asked for his passenger-list. For this list he referred them to the purser.

They (the officers) then went to the purser's room, and requested to be shown the passenger-list, which was handed them.

Question. How many passengers have you?

The purser pointed out the number.

Q. Are they all Americans?

A. No, of various nations.

Q. Have they arms?

A. Not to my knowledge.

Q. Has the ship arms?

A. No.

Q. Did the American officers who boarded you outside the harbor make an examination of your hold?

A. No.

Mr. King, executive officer of the Washington, who was present, then remarked that if they wished any further information, they could obtain it from the American men-of-war then in port.

The officer replied that his instructions were to obtain his information direct.

The British officials, not liking Mr. King's rough manner, thereupon left.

Close of the Session.

The Second session of 1858, came to a close on Friday evening last, the 3d inst. The Students have nearly all left for their homes, to spend the six weeks of winter vacation, and our semi-annual dull season is fairly commenced.

The following are the Distinctions awarded to the 2d, 3d, and 4th classes—no distinctions being awarded the Seniors.

JUNIORS.—1*st Distinction.*—Bryan, Pool, Royster, Wilson and Wooster.

2*d Distinction.*—Battle, Brooks, Cooper, Daniel, Fain, Hale, Headen, Kelly and Scales.

3*d Distinction.*—Baird, Bond, Borden, Barry, Bruce, A. Bullock, J. Graham, King, E. Martin, Oglesby, Plummer and Thorp.

SOPHOMORES.—1*st Distinction.*—Allen, R. Clark, Morehead, Stedman, and Yancey.

2*d Distinction.*—Hobson, Knight, Lee, Murphy, Poteat, Simmonds, Stewart, and Wall.

3*d Distinction.*—Bradford, Parker, P. Clarke, Pearson, Cody, Parks, M. F. Carr, Ross, Currie, W. Davis, Foy, Halliburton, Johnston, Land, Marshall and Nicholson.

FRESHMEN.—1*st Distinction.*—Andrews, Gaines, Hassel, Patterson, Taylor, Thompson and Webb..

2*d Distinction.*—Armstrong, Bellamy, Cameron, Douglass, Fletcher, McCotter, McIver, J. Moore and Staton.

3*d Distinction.*—Armstead, Ennett, Baldwin, Moore, Bason, Varner, Battle, Williamson, Benburry, Biggs.

Foscue is entitled to the Second Distinction in Bible History and Mathematics.—*Chapel Hill Gazette.*

THE ECHO PRISONERS.—On arrival of the Columbia train on Saturday, with the prisoners of the crew of the slaver *Echo*, or *Putnam*, one of them named Archibald Scott, was not found. An officer was dispatched along the line of the Rail Road, and the unfortunate prisoner was found about twelve miles from the city, with a leg badly broken. He had jumped from a window of a car when at a speed of twenty-five miles an hour. He was brought to the city, and placed under medical attendance. *Charleston Courier, 13th inst.*

EXCITING NEWS FROM NICARAGUA.—The news from Nicaragua, by the steamer Washington, which we publish this morning, is calculated to create some excitement. It will be seen that certain officers of the British man of war Leopard, boarded the Washington outside of the harbor of San Juan and demanded to see her passengers, on the ground that they suspected them of being filibusters. In connection with this subject, we copy the following, which came from Washington on Saturday by telegraph, in relation to Walker's filibuster schooner Susan, which recently sailed from Mobile:

The President will view any interruption by the English or French fleets of the schooner Susan, with filibusters on board for Central America, as an exercise of force by European powers for the regulation of affairs in the central portions of our continent; and the Union of this morning indicates that such interference may precipitate at any moment a crisis in our foreign relations, and terms the pirates who sailed from Mobile as our countrymen, and expresses the opinion that immense reinforcements would rush from our shores to rescue them. The British and French ministers are much exercised by this menace of the President's organ and there is considerable excitement in diplomatic circles generally.—Great excitement is manifested to hear from the Susan. Our own vessels of war are in pursuit of her. The filibusters here are in high glee.—*Baltimore Sun.*

RHEUMATISM.

A Case of Three Months Standing Cured.

George W. Henderson, of Pittsburgh, says—

"After suffering for three months with Rheumatism, a part of the time so severely as to confine me to my bed, I have been entirely cured by using Boerhave's Holland Bitters. I have had one attack since, but found almost instantaneous relief in the same medicine. It is, in my opinion, a sure remedy for Rheumatism."

See advertisement. [Dec. 14.—84&16-1w.

WONDERFUL!!!

Accident, and various applications have lately developed some very wonderful and most pleasing results. One Gentleman writes from Albany, N. Y., of very astonishing effects in his case (given up by all the doctors of that learned Capital.) Another case just transpiring in Philadelphia, now attracting no little attention together with some others, a statement of which the Lr. is now preparing, will soon turn such a tide of inquiry and interest upon my ELECTRIC OIL, as was never before directed to a medical discovery. Moore has already been demonstrated than we dare proclaim; as it would not be half believed. It has afforded immediate relief in many cases of Prolapsus uteri, and Piles are relieved as if by magic. A gentleman from N. C. came here with his family, to have his eyes operated on, having nearly lost them from Neuralgia and Rheumatic affections, has been so relieved as to defer the operation in the confident belief that my Oil will restore him. It has afforded most unexpected relief in the breast and side, attended with cough and sore throat, and it at once relieves the worst kinds of running sores, felons, and all painful affections; it thoroughly and promptly cures Rheumatism. John Wyeth, Esq., the well known druggist of Harrisburg, writes, June 6th. "that Mr. Forbes of that place who had suffered great pains about his loins and on one side about the hip, after using Dr. Jayne's remedy a week, then had the aid of a physician some time, who bled him, &c., was cured effectually with one bottle of my Oil." We want you to come, let us examine your case; do not be disheartened, we make no false promises, we are a regular physician, and moreover you don't have to pay a long time for medical advice and then be told you can not be helped. We make no charge for advice, if we can not cure you we will tell you so. Come, old and young, with your pains to No. 39 South Eighth street, three doors below Chestnut.

P. S. The Oil is pleasant and harmless.

☞ Dr. S. Smith, Agent, Bridgewater, Pa.

For sale in Wilmington, N. C., by Drake & McLin and W. H. Lippitt, Druggists, and by Druggists and Merchants generally.

Dec. 16.—86&16-1w.

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No Goods will be exchanged or received back, *under any consideration*, after they have been out of our establishment two days.

O. S. BALDWIN.

Dec. 11, 1858. 82-3t—16-1t

☞ ATMOSPHERIC changes of the Season exert vast influence over the human system and sensations; upon their recurrence all persons of plethoric habits, sufferers from scrofula, cutaneous eruptions, stubborn ulcers, from an injudicious use of mercury, and its chronic constitutional disorders, should have recourse to SANDS' SARSAPARILLA, the original and genuine article so long celebrated for the cure of the above-named diseases, and all others arising from an impoverished, vitiated or inflamed condition of the blood or habit of the system.

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Sold also by Druggists generally. [Dec. 17, 1858.—16-1t

ATTENTION, THE AFFLICTED WORLD!

MERCHANTS, Druggists, Physicians and all dealers in Patent Medicines, and the public generally, are apprised that I have appointed Dr. A. O. BRADLEY, Wholesale and Retail Agent for the sale of GRAY'S GENUINE OINTMENT and House Medicines, and who will supply them at my lowest wholesale price.

W. F. GRAY,
Nashville, Dec. 18th, 1857 Sole Proprietor.
Nov. 5th, 1858 10-tl5ap'59

☞ There will be a Convention of the friends of the proposed new county of Lillington, held at Long Creek Bridge, on SATURDAY, 18th December, 1858, at twelve o'clock.—Come one and all who are in favor of this important movement.

MANY CITIZENS.
Nov. 24th, 1858. 13-td

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CELEBRATED FEMALE PILLS.

Prepared from a prescription of Sir J. Clarke, M. D., Physician Extraordinary to the Queen.

This invaluable medicine is unfailing in the cure of all those painful and dangerous diseases to which the female constitution is subject. It moderates all excess and removes all obstructions, and a speedy cure may be relied on.

TO MARRIED LADIES

it is peculiarly suited. It will, in a short time, bring on the monthly period with regularity.

Each bottle, price One Dollar, bears the Government Stamp of Great Britain, to prevent counterfeits.

These Pills should not be taken by females during the first three months of Pregnancy, as they are sure to bring on Miscarriage, but at any other time they are safe.

In all cases of Nervous and Spinal Affections, Pain in the Back and Limbs, Fatigue on slight exertion, Palpitation of the Heart, Hysterics and Whites, these Pills will effect a cure when all other means have failed, and although a powerful remedy, do not contain iron, calomel, antimony, or anything hurtful to the constitution.

Full directions in the pamphlet around each package, which should be carefully preserved.

Sole Agent for the United States and Canada,

JOB MOSES,
(Late I. C. Baldwin & Co.,)
Rochester, N. Y.

N. B.—$1 00 and 6 postage stamps enclosed to any authorized Agent, will insure a bottle, containing 50 Pills, by return mail.

For sale by Druggists generally.

HAVILAND, STEVENSON & CO., Charleston, Wholesale Agents
March 16th, 1858 161&29-1y

MARRIED,

In Goldsboro', on the 15th inst., by Rev. J. L. Prichard, Mr. ALEXANDER OLDHAM, of Wilmington, to Miss SMITHA A., daughter of Mr. Wills Pipkin.

☞ Hilsboro' Recorder please copy.

In this town, on Wednesday evening, the 8th inst., by the Rev. Dr. Drane, JAMES J. McMILLIAN, to Miss ELIZA LAWTON, daughter of the late Samuel Newbold, all of Charleston, S. C.

☞ Charleston papers please copy.

At the residence of William Cox, Esq., in Dallas county, Ala., by Judge Raime, W. HUFFAM WALKER, of New Hanover county, N. C., to Miss M. A. COX, daughter of Blackman Cox, Esq., of Sampson county, N. C.

☞ Raleigh Register please copy.

Near Salisbury, on the 8th inst., by Rev. T. G. Haughton, Dr. THOMAS HILL, to Miss MARY CAROLINE, daughter of Chambers McConnaughey, Esq.

DIED.

In Sampson county, N. C., on the 5th inst., after an illness of 6 days continuance, MARY ANN VIRGINIA, only daughter of Wm. T. and Rhoda Ann Beaman, aged 15 years, 1 month and 3 days.

The subject of this notice possessed in an eminent degree, those qualities of heart and mind which endeared her to her associates, and made her the pride and stay of her parents.

She united a strong and active mind with firm and ardent affection; and these, but a few months previous to her death she consecrated to her Saviour and devoted to his cause.—Her profession of religion was in connection with the Missionary Baptist Church.

She has left a deeply afflicted father and mother to mourn their irreparable loss; but while they shed the tear of grief, they are permitted to indulge for the departed one, the Christian's hope of a blessed immortality, and a happy reunion, where "pain and death are felt and feared no more."

May the young who knew and loved her find in this event an impressive lesson and a solemn warning.—*Com.*

Near the Lauderdale Springs, Miss., Nov. 28th, 1858, Mrs. MARY WALKER, in her 78th year. She was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church for 35 or 40 years.

VALUABLE PROPERTY FOR SALE.

NEGROES, LANDS, TURPENTINE DISTILLERY, STOCK, FARMING IMPLEMENTS, ETC., ETC.

ON THURSDAY, the 13th day of January, 1859, the subscriber will offer at public sale, at his residence in Bladen County, about three miles from Beatty's Bridge, the following valuable property, to wit:—

Twenty-eight likely Negroes, consisting of men, women and children. The negroes will be sold in one lot or in families, as may be desired.

Also, at the same time and place, a valuable tract of farming and turpentine land, containing about thirty-five hundred acres, lying immediately on the waters of Black River, and having a convenient outlet to market by Steamboat navigation. The improvements on the above land consist of a comfortable dwelling-house, with good negro houses, stables, and all other necessary out-buildings, with excellent water on the premises. The location is one of the most healthy in the State.

Also, a number one Turpentine Still, with a capacity of twenty-five barrels.

Also, the whole stock of horses, cattle, hogs, corn, fodder, peas, farming implements, furniture, etc., etc.

Terms, which will be accommodating, made known at sale.

A. N. McDONALD.
Dec. 17th, 1858 16-ts—isor4thp

Raleigh Standard, Charlotte Democrat, Fayetteville Observer, Charleston Courier, Augusta Constitutionalist, Mobile Tribune, Memphis Bulletin, once a week till sale. Send bills to this office immediately for collection.

VALUABLE TURPENTINE LANDS FOR SALE.

HAVING CONCLUDED TO QUIT THE TURPENtine business, I offer for sale the following PINE LANDS:—

Three thousand Acres on Waccamaw & Buck Creek, in Horry District; one thousand Acres near Conwayborough; four thousand Acres on Sterritt Swamp, all Saints Parish, and five or six thousand Acres on Socostee, owned by H. Buck and myself.

Also, the Schr. ELLEN RANDALL, of 300 bbls. capacity.

Also, two TURPENTINE STILLS, one size forty bbls., the other fifteen bbls. THOS. RANDALL.

Little River, S. C., Nov. 27. 14-3w.

NOTICE.

ON THE FIRST OF JANUARY 1859, THE COPARTnership now existing under the name and style of BLUMENTHAL & BRO., at Long Creek, will be dissolved by mutual consent. The business of the present firm will be continued by the junior partner, Samuel Blumenthal.

SAMUEL BLUMENTHAL,
JACOB BLUMENTHAL.

Dec. 17th, 1858. 16-4w,

ALL PERSONS INDEBTED to the late firm of BLUMENTHAL & BRO., are earnestly requested to come forward and make immediate payment, before the first day of February, 1859. All claims on hand after that time will be put out for collection. No exception made.

JACOB BLUMENTHAL.
Dec. 17, 1858. 17-4w.

LAND FOR SALE.

THE SUBSCRIBER wishing to pay his debts and move South, offers for sale the Land on which he lives, situated on Rock Fish Creek, in Duplin county. The place contains 350 acres, about 175 of which is cleared and well drained, a portion being *RICH SWAMP LAND*, producing well. The improvements are a comfortable Dwelling, with seven rooms, and all necessary out-houses. If desired, the crop, stock of all kinds, Waggons, Carts, together with farming utensils, will be sold on good terms with the place. Terms moderate. For particulars enquire of the subscriber, on the premises, or of Dr. W. W. Lane, Wilmington. T. H. LANE.

Dec. 17, 1858. 16-1tp.

PERMANENT AND TRANSIENT BOARDING.

MISS A. F. LUCAS,

WOULD RESPECTFULLY INFORM HER FRIENDS and the public, that she has rented the large building on Front street, opposite the Bank of Cape Fear, known as the *WASHINGTON HOUSE*, and has fitted it up in the most comfortable manner for the accommodation of *PERMANENT AND TRANSIENT BOARDERS.*—Her terms will be found reasonable, and every effort will be made to give satisfaction.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 17, 1858. 16-3t

NEGROES! NEGROES WANTED!!

GENTLEMEN YOUR OLD CUSTOMER IS YET in market for likely Negroes, for which I am determined to pay the highest cash prices. Persons having such for sale would do well to give me a call, or address me at Clinton, N. C. J. A. McARTHUR.

Dec. 17. 16-1y*

BUNG STARTS OR SPIRIT RAPPERS. For sale by
Dec. 13th J. M. ROBINSON & SON.

NOTICE.

THE SUBSCRIBER having obtained Letters of Administration on the estate of John D. Moore, at the December Term 1858, of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for the County of New Hanover, hereby, notifies all persons indebted to the said estate to come forward and make payment, and those persons having claims against said estate, to present them within the time prescribed by law or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

Dec. 14th, 1858.—16-3t OWEN ALDERMAN, Adm'r.

SAW AND GRIST MILL FOR SALE.

WILL BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION, on the premises, on Monday, the 3d day of January next, the *STEAM SAW AND GRIST MILL*, belonging to Harper and James Williams.

☞ Terms made known on day of sale.

HARPER WILLIAMS, Surviving Partner.
Dec. 17, 1858. 16-1t

NOTICE.

THE SUBSCRIBER having obtained letters testamentary on the estate of the late Leah Bludworth, at the December Term, 1858, of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for the County of New Hanover, hereby notifies all persons indebted to said estate, to come forward and make payment, and those having claims against said estate are notified to present them within the time prescribed by law, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

A. J. WESTBROOK, Executor.
December 14th, 1858 16-3t*

OLIVER KELLEY. WM. A. WILLSON.

KELLEY & WILSON,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS IN GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS.

No. 11 North Water Street,
Dec. 16, 1858. WILMINGTON, N. C.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE SUBSCRIBER WILL SELL AT public Auction, at his residence, eight miles north of Wilmington, on the South Washington Road, on the 27th day of December 1858, his entire stock of Horses, & Mules, Sheep, Corn and Fodder, 1 Set of Blacksmith's Tools, Waggons, Plows and Plow Gear, one Yoke of Oxen, Household and Kitchen furniture, &c., &c.

Terms made known at sale. N. M. HILL.
Dec. 16, 1858. 86-ts—16-ts

VALUABLE BOOKS.

JUST RECEIVED AT KELLEY'S BOOK STORE.

Autocrat of the Breakfast Table;
Xtmas Poets. Prince of Peace;
Meta Gray. Stratford Gallery;
Beauties of Ruskins. Vicar of Wakefield;
Carlyle's Fredrick the Great;
Longfellow's Poems in 2 vols. complete;
Coleridge's Poems;
Women of Beauty. Girl's Flower Book;
Language of Flowers. Life of Franklin;
Steps to Heaven, by T. S. Arthur;
Generals of the Revolution;
Life of Jefferson;
Dec. 16th, 1858.

SUMMER RESIDENCE FOR SALE.

THE RESIDENCE of the late Mr. John St. George, containing *ONE HUNDRED & THIRTY ACRES OF LAND*, about 90 acres of which are cleared and under good fence, is offered for sale. The dwelling is a two story building. On the premises are also all necessary outbuildings. The Lands are situated immediately on the Plank Road leading to Onslow county, and eleven miles from Wilmington. The soil is well adapted to the growth of *GROUND PEAS.* For particulars, apply to J. W. St. GEORGE, on the premises, or to G. W. POLLOCK,

Post Office, Wilmington, N. C.

P. S.—If not previously disposed of at private sale, the above Lands will be sold at public auction on the premises, on the 5th day of January next.

Dec. 15, 1858. 85-3t—16-ts

VALUABLE REAL ESTATE FOR SALE.

THE SUBSCRIBER offers for sale his PLANTATION and LAND, consisting of about eight hundred acres, one hundred and twenty-five of which are cleared, situated on Topsail Sound, immediately in front of New Topsail Inlet, and about twenty-one miles from Wilmington.—The Plank Road leads to within nine miles of the premises. These lands are noted for the culture of Ground Peas, and other crops usually cultivated on the sea shore. The neighborhood is good, and persons desirous of purchasing a valuable farm on the sea shore, would do well to visit the premises and examine the location, &c. If not previously disposed at of private sale, the above lands will be sold, on the premises, on the 3d day of January next, at public auction, to the highest bidder. Also, at the same time and place will be sold at public auction, several likely *YOUNG NEGROES, HOUSEHOLD and KITCHEN FURNITURE, CROP ON HAND, HORSES, one WAGON, one CART, one BUGGY, and FARMING UTENSILS.*

Terms at sale. B. F. NIXON.
Dec; 14.—84&16-ts*

NEGROES FOR SALE.

THE SUBSCRIBER will expose to sale at public auction, at Exchange corner, in the town of Wilmington, on Monday, the 3d day of January next, at 11 o'clock, A. M., a lot of likely NEGROES, about thirteen in number, of various ages, belonging to the estate of A. P. McCaleb, dec'd. Terms 6 months credit, note with approved security. T. J. ARMSTRONG, Ex'r.

Dec. 13, 1856. 80-3w—16-3w

LOST—$10 REWARD.

ON THE CARS YESTERDAY EVENING BEtween Burgaw Station and Wilmington, or between the Passenger Depot and the Rock Spring Hotel, a common sized, black clasped Pocket Book, much worn, in which was $59 in cash and one Note of $47 on Noah Lanier, with a credit of $26 50. All persons are forewarned from trading for said papers, and the above reward will be paid for the delivery of the Pocket Book and its contents to me. THOMAS LEE.

Dec. 11. 82-1w—17-6w*

THE GREAT BEAUTIFIER

So long unsuccessfully sought, Found at Last!

FOR IT RESTORES PERMANENTLY GRAY HAIR TO its original color: covers luxuriantly the bald head; removes all dandruff, itching and all scrofula, scald head and all eruptions; makes the hair soft, healthy and glossy; and will preserve it to any imaginable age; removes, as if by magic, all blotches, &c., from the face, and cures all neralgia and nervous head ache. See circular and the following

DOVER, N. H., Feb. 2, 1857.

PROF. O. J. WOOD & CO.—Gents: Within a few days we have received so many orders and calls for Prof. O. J. Wood's Hair Restorative, that to-day we are compelled to send to Boston for a quantity, (the 6 dozen you forwarded all being sold,) while we might order a quantity from you. *Every bottle we have sold seems to have produced three or four new customers*, and the approbation, and patronage it receives from the most substantial and worthy citizens of our vicinity, fully convince us that it is A MOST VALUABLE PREPARATION.

Send us soon as may be one gross of $1 size; and one dozen $2 size; and believe us very respectfully,

(Signed) DANIEL LATHORP & CO.

HICKORY GROVE, St. Charles Co., Mo., Nov. 19, 1856.

PROF. O. J. WOOD—Dear Sir: Some time last summer we were induced to use some of your Hair Restorative, and its effects were so wonderful, we feel it our duty to you and the afflicted, to report it.

Our little son's head for some time had been perfectly covered with sores, and some called it scald head. The hair almost entirely came off in consequence, when a friend, seeing his sufferings, advised us to use your Restorative, we did so with little hope of success, but, to our surprise, and that of all our friends, a very few applications removed the disease entirely, and a new and luxuriant crop of hair soon started out, and we can now say that our boy has as healthy a scalp, and as luxuriant a crop of hair as any other child. We can, therefore, and do hereby recommend your Restorative, as a perfect remedy for all diseases of the scalp and hair. We are, yours respectfully,

GEORGE W. HIGGINBOTHAM.
SARAH A. HIGGINBOTHAM.

GARDINER, Maine, June 22, 1855.

PROF. O. J. WOOD—Dear Sir: I have used two bottles of Professor Wood's Hair Restorative, and can truly say it is the greatest discovery of the age for restoring and changing the Hair. Before using it I was a man of seventy. My hair has now attained its original color. You can recommend it to the world without the least fear, as my case was one of the worst kind.

Yours respectfully.

O. J. WOOD & CO., Proprietors, 312 Broadway, New York, (in the great N. Y. Wire Railing Establishment,) and 114 Market street, St. Louis, Mo.

Sold in Wilmington, N. C. by Walker Meares, W. H. Lippitt, Drake & McLin, and by all good Druggists.

Oct. 21. 40-9—3m

FLOUR.

100 BAGS AND 40 BARRELS Super and Family Flour. For sale by KELLEY & WILSON.

Dec. 7th

SOAP—SOAP.

30 BOXES COLGATES NO. 1 SOAP, just received per Schr. A. J. DeRosset. For sale by

Dec. 13th T. H. McKOY & CO.

COFFEE! COFFEE!! COFFEE!!!

25 BAGS RIO COFFEE—prime article. Just arrived and for sale by T. H. McKOY & CO.

Dec. 6.

NEW CROP CURRENTS.—Another supply per schr. Falkenburg; also, a few bbls. new crop N. O. Sugar. For sale by D. SMITH, Jr.,

Dec. 13. Front st., No. 2 Granite Row.

BUCKWHEAT.

ANOTHER SUPPLY OF NEW HULLED BUCKWHEAT in Barrels and Bags. Just received and for sale, by L. B. HUGGINS AND SONS,

Dec. 13th, 1858. S. E. Cor. Market Street.

RAISINS.

NEW CROP RAISINS IN WHOLE, HALF AND QUARter Boxes. For sale by L. B. HUGGINS & SONS,

Dec. 13th, 1858. S. E. Cor. Market Street.

TO HOUSEKEEPERS.

WE HAVE ON HAND A VARIETY OF SPICES, AND Flavoring extracts, among which may be found Nutmegs, Mace, Allspice, Cinamon, Cloves, Ginger, &c., Extracts of Orange, Lemon, Jamaica Ginger, &c. For sale by

Dec. 13th, 1858. L. B. HUGGINS & SONS.

NOTICE.

THE SUBSCRIBER WILL SELL at Public Auction, on Wednesday the 5th day of January next, at Exchange Corner, in the town of Wilmington, at 11 o'clock, A. M., *FOUR LIKELY NEGROES*, belonging to the estate of Charles W. Nixon, deceased. Terms, six months credit, bond with approved security.

DAVID JAS. NIXON, Adm'r.

Dec 15. 85-2t-now-3tbs—16-ts*

IMPROVED CORN AND COB CRUSHERS. For sale *cheap*, by [13) J. M. ROBINSON & SON.

Wilmington Wholesale Prices Current.

☞ It should be understood that our quotations generally represent the wholesale price. In filling small orders, higher rates have to be paid.

BEESWAX, ℔ lb. . . 23 @ 25
BEEF CATTLE, ℔ 100 lbs. . . . 5 50 @ 7 00
BRICKS, ℔ M. . . . 6 00 @12 00
BARRELS, Spirits Turp., each, 2nd hand. . . . 1 75 @ 2 00
New. . . . . 0 00 @ 2 00
CANDLES, ℔ lb.
Tallow. . . . . 16 @ 18
Adamantine. . . 23 @ 26
Sperm . . . . . 35 @ 50
COFFEE, ℔ lb.
Java. . . . . 18 @ 20
Laguayra . . . . 12¼@ 13½
Rio. . . . . 11 @ 12½
St. Domingo. . . 11 @ 12
COTTON, ℔ lb.
ord. to mid'g . . 10½@ 11
strict mid'g . . . 11 @ 11¼
good mid'g. . . 11 @ 11¼
COTTON BAGGING, ℔ yard. . . . . 16 @ 17
Rope, ℔ lb. . . . 8 @ 10
CORN MEAL, ℔ bushel. . . 85 @ 90
DOMESTICS,
Sheeting, ℔ yd. 8 @ 9
Yarn, ℔ lb. . 18 @ 20
EGGS, ℔ doz. . . . 33 @ 37
FEATHERS, ℔ lb. 45 @ 50
FISH, ℔ bbl.,
Mullets . . . . . 6 00 @ 7 00
Mac'rel, No. 1 16 00@18 00
do. No. 2 13 00 @14 00
do. No. 3 9 50 @10 00
Herrings, East 4 00 @ 5 00
Dry Cod, ℔ cwt . . . . 4 00 @ 6 50
FLOUR, N. C. brands ℔ bbl.,
Family. . . . . 0 00 @ 6 00
Superfine . . . 5 65 @ 5 75
Fine . . . . . 0 00 @ 5 50
Cross . . . . . 0 00 @ 5 25
GLUE, ℔ lb., ... 11 @ 20
GUNNY BAGS, ... 10 @ 18
GUANO, Peruvian,
Under 1 ton, ℔ lb. 3¼
1 ton and under 5, per ton, 63 00
5 tons and over, " 60 00
LAND PLASTER, ℔ bbl. . 1 50
Per ton, ... 10 00
GRAIN, ℔ bushel,
Corn. . . . . 65 @ 70
Oats. . . . . 45 @ 00
Pease, Cow. . 70 @ 75
Do. B. Eye . . 0 00 @ 90
Wheat, red . . 1 10 @ 0 00
do. white . . 1 25 @ 1 30
Rice, rough . . 00 @ 00
do., clean, ℔ lb. . . . . 3 @ 3¼
HIDES, ℔ lb.,
Green, ... 4 @ 5
Dry. . . . . 7 @ 7½
HAY, ℔ 100 lbs.
Eastern . . . . . 75 @ 80
N. River, ... 50 @ 52½
IRON, ℔ lb.
English, ass'd. 4½@ 00
American, ref. . 3½@ 00
do. sheer. . 0 @ 00
do. hoop, ton 90 00@95 00
Swede . . . . . 5½@ 00
LIME, ℔ bbl. . . 75 @ 80
do. in store 1 00 @ 1 25
LUMBER, ℔ M., (River.)
Fl'r Boards. 0 00 @11 00
Wide do. . . 7 50 @ 8 00
Scantling. . . 0 00 @ 6 00
(Steam Sawed.)
Floor Boards, rough. . . . . 15 00 @16 00
planed. . . . . 18 00 @19 00
clear . . . . . 25 00 @30 00
Wide boards. 14 00 @15 00
Scantling . . . 12 00 @15 00
Ship Stuff, rough edge. 0 00 @13 00
re-sawed. . . 0 00 @15 00
MOLASSES, ℔ gallon.
Cuba, Hhds 23 @ 25
do. Bbls. 32 @ 35
N. Orleans. 00 @ 00
LIQUORS, ℔ gall, (domestic.)
Whiskey, ... 28 @ 30
N. E. Rum, . . . 50 @ 55
Gin, ... 40 @ 45
Brandy, ... 45 @ 50
do. Apple, . 85 @ 90
do. Peach, . 85 @ 1 25
NAVAL STORES,
Turpentine, ℔ 280 lbs.,
Virgin . . . . . 0 00 @ 2 70
Yellow dip . . 0 00 @ 2 70
Hard, ... 0 00 @ 1 60
Tar, ℔ bbl., . 0 00 @ 2 25
do. in order, 0 00 @ 0 00
Pitch do., . 0 00 @ 1 50
Rosin, Pale, 3 50 @ 4 25
do. No. 1, 1 75 @ 3 50
do. No. 2, 1 15 @ 1 75
do. No. 3, 1 10 @ 0 00
Spirits Turp., ℔ gallon . . . 00 @ 44
Varnish, ℔ gal. 26 @ 30
NAILS, ℔ lb.,
Cut, ... 4½@ 4¾
Wrought, . . . 10 @ 12½
OILS, ℔ gallon.
Sperm, ... 2 00 @ 2 25
Linseed, raw, 1 15 @ 1 20
do. boiled, 1 15 @ 1 25
PEA NUTS, bush. 1 35@ 1 42½
POTATOES,
Sweet, ℔ bush. 50 @ 60
Irish, do., . 00 00 @ 00
do. ℔ bbl., 1 75 @ 2 25
PROVISIONS, ℔ lb.,
N. C. Bacon, Hams, ... 14 @ 14½
Middlings, . . 12 @ 12½
Shoulders, . 10½@ 11
Hog round, . 12 @ 12½
Western Bacon, Middlings, . . 10½@ 10½
Shoulders, . . 8½@ 8¾
N. C. Lard, . . 12 @ 12½
West'n do. . . . 11½@ 12
Butter, ... 23 @ 27
Cheese, ... 10½@ 11
PORK, Northern, ℔ bbl.,
City Mess, . 19 00 @20 00
Clear do. . 00 00 @19 00
Butt, ... 16 00 @17 00
Beef, Mess, . 00 00 @16 00
do. Fulton Market, . 19 00 @20 00
POULTRY,
Chickens, live, 15 @ 25
do. dead, . 20 @ 25
Turkeys, live, 75 @ 1 00
do. dead, ℔ lb. 12½@ 15
SHEEP, ℔ head,
Lambs, ... 1 75 @ 2 25
Mutton, ... 1 75 @ 2 25
SALT,
Alum, ℔ bush. . 20 @ 25
Liverpool, ℔ sack. ground, cargo 1 00@ 1 05
do. fm store 1 10@ 1 20
fine . . . . . 1 75 @ 2 00
SUGAR, ℔ lb.
Porto Rico, . . . 7½@ 8¼
New Orleans, . 6½@ 8¼
Muscovado, . . . 7 @ 8
Loaf & crush'd, 11 @ 12
C. Yellow. . . . . 0 @ 10
Granulated, . . 11½@ 120
SOAP, ℔ lb. . . . . 5 @ 7½
SHINGLES, ℔ M.,
Contract, . . . 4 00 @ 5 00
Common, . . . 0 00 @ 2 00
STAVES, ℔ M.,
W. O. Bbl.., 16 00 @18 00
R. O. Hhd.., 12 50 @20 00
Ash Head'g, 8 50 @12 00
TIMBER, ℔ M.,
Shipping, . . . 0 00 @ 0 00
Mill, prime, . 7 00 @ 8 50
do. inferior to ordinary, . 3 50 @ 6 00
TALLOW, ℔ lb., . . 10 @ 12
TOBACCO, ℔ lb.,
Common, ... 18 @ 20
Medium, ... 25 @ 30
Fine, ... 45 @ 50
WOOL, ℔ lb., . . . 17 @ 20

NOTE.—River Lumber, Tar, and Turpentine, sold in the water, are subject to the expense of landing, inspection, cooperage, &c.; say on lumber 90 cents to $1 ℔ M.; Tar and Turpentine about 10 @ 14 cents ℔ bbl.—and on naval stores, when brought ℔ Railroad, about the same expenses are incurred.——* For virgin or mixed Turpentine a deduction of one-fifth or more is made on the price of yellow dip, according to quality.

FREIGHTS:

TO NEW YORK.	On deck.	Under deck.
Turpentine and Tar, ℔ bbl.,	$ 00	$ 00 @ 40
Rosin. . . . . do.	00	00 @ 35
Spirits Turpentine. . . . do.	00	00 @ 55
Flour. . . . . do.	00	00 @ 25
Rice, ℔ 100 lbs. gross.	00	0 @ 12½
Cotton, ℔ bale,	0 00	1 25 @ 1 50
Cotton goods, ℔ foot,	00	0 @ 7
Flaxseed, ℔ bushel,	00	8 @ 10
Ground Peas, ℔ bushel,	00	6 @ 7
Wheat, ℔ bushel,	00	00 @ 8
Lumber, ℔ M.	0 00@5 00	5 00 @ 6 00
TO PHILADELPHIA,		
Turpentine and Tar, ℔ bbl.	00	00 @ 40
Rosin	00	00 @ 35
Spirits Turpentine. . . "	00	00 @ 55
Ground Peas, ℔ bushel,	00	00 @ 6
Cotton, ℔ bale, ...	0 00	6 00 @ 1 50
Cotton goods, ℔ cubic foot, ...	0	0 @ 1
Rice, ℔ 100 lbs.	0	00 @ 10
Lumber, ℔ M., as to size, .	0 00@0 00	5 00 @ 5 50
TO BOSTON.		
Turpentine and Tar, ℔ bbl.	00	00 @ 50
Rosin	00	40 @ 45
Spirits Turpentine. . . . "	00	00 @ 70
Cotton, ℔ bale, ...	0 00	0 00 @ 1 75
Ground Peas, ℔ bushel, ...	00	00 @ 8
Rough Rice, ℔ bushel, ...

THE WILMINGTON JOURNAL.

WILMINGTON, N. C., MONDAY, DEC. 13, 1858.

The State.

We have gone over our North Carolina exchanges with the view of picking up some items of local news.—Our examination has convinced us that North Carolina must be a remarkably quiet and orderly Commonwealth, for we have failed to pick up a murder, an elopement, or an awful catastrophe. Our Fayetteville neighbors are evidently chagrined by the result of the vote upon their bill on Tuesday last. We do not wonder. It will be seen, however, that yesterday the vote was reconsidered, and the bill sent back to the committee on Internal Improvements. We still lean to the opinion that this Legislature will not adjourn without doing something for the work.

The Milton and Yanceyville Junction Railroad—that is, the Danville Connection, has failed in the Senate.—The vote was not quite a full one, but sufficient to indicate the ultimate fate of the measure, so far as the present Legislature is concerned.

The case of the contested seat of Mr. Haywood, one of the Commoners from Wake, attracts considerable attention, and occupies a good deal of time. Mr. Haywood is Clerk and Master in Equity for Wake county, and the question is, whether that shall be considered an office, to the extent of rendering him ineligible to a seat in the Legislature. The subject has been postponed until the 17th. It is hardly probable that a vote will be arrived at before Christmas, if then.

We have before us a document which has surprised us as much anything of the kind that we have seen for years, bearing as it does the sanction of a distinguished name, and a certain official *prestige*. We refer to the following

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY.

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill No. 83, to *repeal* so much of section 2nd of article 4th of the amended constitution of North-Carolina as prohibits persons of the Jewish or Israelitish faith from holding offices of profit or trust in the State, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to submit thereon, the following

REPORT.

The Committee are of opinion that the principle on which the bill is founded, is correct. No person should be proscribed or placed under any civil disabilities on account of religious faith. *Religion* is a matter which concerns us all as individuals. It is not the proper subject of the cognizance of civil tribunals. God alone, the maker and searcher of hearts, has the right to judge an intelligent and accountable creature, on account of the religious faith by which such creature is governed. When government assumes the right to interpose in this behalf, it usurps the prerogative of the Almighty, and violates the most sacred privilege of man. The provision of the constitution proposed to be abrogated by the *bill*, was inserted at a period when the principles of religious liberty were very imperfectly understood in North Carolina. It is a relic of an age of bigotry and intolerance—unfit to be associated in our fundamental law, with the enlightened principles of republican government, which constitute the basis of our institutions. It is condemned by all generous minds—condemned by the spirit of the age in which we live; and, above all, condemned by the precepts of the Gospel, which inculcates "Peace on earth and good will to man." Such are the views of the committee in regard to the principle on which the bill is founded. Nevertheless, the committee have instructed me to report the bill to the House with a recommendation that it do not pass, because in the opinion of the committee, it is highly inexpedient at this time to alter or amend the constitution by legislative enactment in any particular whatever.

The people of North Carolina seem to be satisfied with their government. They ask for no change; and it is neither wise nor patriotic to produce discontent, when peace and happiness prevail. JOHN KERR, *Chairman*.

We think our readers will agree with us in regarding the last few sentences as bringing the report to a most lame and impotent conclusion. Asserting, as the committee does, that "the provision of the Constitution proposed to be abrogated by the bill" "is condemned by all generous minds," it is neither fair nor respectful to the people of North Carolina to assume that they are satisfied with it, or indisposed to a change. If, as the Committee assert, this provision of the Constitution "is a relic of an age of bigotry and intolerence—unfit to be associated in our fundamental law, with the enlightened principles of republican government, which constitute the basis of our institutions," why should they assume that the people of North Carolina desire its perpetuation?—In our opinion it is wise and patriotic to do what is right; and surely that peace and happiness are hollow indeed, which can only be secured by the perpetuation of an acknowledged wrong.

We say what we do, reluctantly, for we dislike to find fault especially with those whom we like and respect, and Mr. Kerr is one of these. But justice should be done, even if the skies fall.

This is not a matter which concerns simply the few persons of the Jewish faith within our borders. It is a matter which concerns the reputation of the State of North Carolina. Shall it be said that her people will perpetuate a proscriptive feature of their Constitution, which is proclaimed by the Judiciary Committee of the popular branch of their Legislature to be condemned by *all* generous minds? Surely not.

Three Miles Deep.

The *Savans* thought they had discovered a *plateau* between the American continent and the Irish coast—they had found water only two and a half or three miles deep. Soundings taken appeared to sustain the predictions of the *Savans*, although the secrets of the "dark unfathomed caves of ocean" must forever remain hidden and unvisited, save by those who can never return to give a detail of their silent mysteries. The cant of newspapers proclaimed the sea conquered, and distance annihilated by the Atlantic Telegraph. *That* has passed away from the thoughts of men. It *may* have been a humbug, or it may not. It may yet be accomplished; we think it will. But the long, dreary waste of ocean will yet remain to be traversed, and those that go down to the sea in ships will still have the same dangers to encounter.

On the 23d of October, the steamship Indian Empire left New York for Galway, Ireland, with 180 souls on board, and has not yet been heard from, although her track was that of the most crowded ocean commerce on earth, over the line of the telegraphic plateau, the course of the great circle between America and Europe. And hope deferred has made many a heart sick, and despair has fastened upon the cords that but a few brief weeks ago vibrated with the liveliest joy at the hopes of again meeting the loved ones. Little did the wild ocean care for the frothy platitudes poured out like water at a New York celebration. It swallowed up the proud ship as quietly as though Cyrus Field had never chained it (!) Human life may not be worth much. We rather think it is *not*—to the individual possessor;—but to those who wait for the returning footstep—who cling to hope after all ground for hope has gone—who through each remove of years drag a lengthened chain of regretful memory, the life of others may be more than words can tell. To those who *can* die—death evidently is nothing but an idea, but to those who cannot, but must "brokenly live on" it may mean much—the severance of loved ones—the being alone in the world deprived of the voice that should have cheered and the arm that should have supported their weakness. That telegraphic plateau holds the hopes of a many a widowed heart, and if its depth has been measured, we fear that little consolation can be derived from the fact that it is *only* two or three miles deep, or that there is a telegraph wire somewhere at the bottom.

☞ We thought the Duplin and Sampson pumpkins were "some," until we heard of the pumpkins out in Wisconsin, which grow so big that they have to blow them up with powder, to reduce them into pieces sufficiently small to make a wagon load out of each piece, and each citizen, citizeness, and youthful individual is compelled to *eat* pumpkin three times a day for two months in the year, to keep the pumpkins from driving the people over the Mississippi. The engineer of a new railroad out there, is *said* to have come across a pumpkin so vast, that he thought it much cheaper to *tunnell* it than to remove it. We have our own doubts on the subject.

More Complications.

Hardly are we well out of one difficulty with the British authorities before we are precipitated into another, and this without any complicity on our part, or without our seeking it in any way. The last indignity is the greatest, and would have justified, if, indeed, it did not demand, the instant interference of the United States naval forces.

The steamship Washington, with peaceable passengers on board, arrived at New York on the 10th instant from San Juan, Nicaragua, these passengers intending to cross over the Nicaragua route to the Pacific ocean, on their way to California. They were not permitted to do so, and were forced to return to New York, as stated; the Nicaraguan authorities assigning as a reason for their course the fear of filibusters, etc.

The United States frigate Savannah and sloop-of-war Jamestown were in port at San Juan when the Washington arrived there on the 18th November. Before entering the harbor, she was boarded by a boat from the United States frigate Savannah. She was again boarded by officers from the British men-of-war Leopard and Valorous, *after* she had been boarded by the boat from the Savannah. The British asked questions as to whether there were arms and ammunition on board and requested to see the passenger list. They were informed that the ship had been boarded by officers from the United States ship Savannah, who would give them all necessary information. The officers replied that they were directed to obtain such information direct. Again a boat from the Washington, attempting to land, was chased and overhauled by the boats from the Leopard. Sir William Gore Ousely, the British Minister or Spy who has been so long floating around Washington, was on board the Valorous. The thing cannot be laid to the unadvised act of mere naval officers. It was done by orders from and in presence of a British diplomatic agent.

Does it not appear that the commanders of the Savannah and Jamestown ought to have interfered to repel force with force. To them alone belonged any right of surveillance over American vessels at San Juan, and for them tamely to submit to the usurpation of this right in their presence by the forces of another nation was an act of degradation for which they ought to be called to a summary account. This is not a question of fillibustering—it is not a question involving the doubtful rights of speculative and unscrupulous steamboat or transit companies—it is one involving directly the honor of the national flag, trampled upon in the presence, and, we might say under the guns, of our national vessels, and the eyes of our naval commanders.

It is the last feather that breaks the camel's back—it is the last indignity that enforces a resort to the last settlement. It is evident—it must be evident—that the limit has about been reached—that this thing must cease—that no fair or honorable intercourse can longer be carried on peacefully with the British authorities. Shall we continue to carry it on as secondary and degraded parties.

Evidently, if these reports be officially verified, this is the gravest of the complications which have yet arisen between us and Great Britain; we think they will be verified; we think they indicate the existence of an understanding between England and France to co-operate against us on this Continent, as they did against Russia on the other.

☞ As we supposed, the recommendations of the President with regard to the substitution of specific instead of *ad valorem* duties, with its tendency to "protection" has not failed to draw out the objections of the Southern Democratic press. There is no use in going around the matter, the argument used by Secretary Cobb, and the positions assumed by him in his report are those to which the country must come, when the tariff system shall have been removed from the domain of politics and regulated upon fixed principles of political economy, instead of the shifting passions or interests of individual or localities.

We owe many obligations to the good Democrats of Pennsylvania, but none sufficient to induce use to part with our principles for their convenience, or to subserve their interests. *They* would not do so for us, and *we* would not ask them. Surely they have not treated Mr. Buchanan himself with so much favour as to be entitled to receive any special favours at his hands.

THE REVENUE OF THE STATE—THE PRESENT LEGISLATURE.—It is generally understood that no important change will be proposed in the principle or details of the taxes by means of which the amount of revenue necessary for the purposes of the State are to be raised. Some very slight matters may be dropped, and some other slight matters included in the tax bill; but, generally speaking, if more revenue has to be raised, it will be accomplished by raising the existing rates of taxation to a corresponding amount. This, we understand, is pretty much the position of the revenue Committees of both Houses, and may be relied on as accurate in the main. There is a general indisposition to change or experiment in any way.

☞ It will be seen that Hon. Thomas Ruffin, of Alamance, has been chosen to fill the vacancy on the bench of the Supreme Court, occasioned by the death of Chief Justice Nash. We received this news yesterday by telegraph, and have therefore had time to hear a pretty general expression of opinion in our community. The universal desire here appears to be that Judge Ruffin should accept. His previous resignation, with the reason publickly assigned, alone render doubtful his return to the bench.

☞ W. H. Gist has been elected Governor of South Carolina by the Legislature of that State. His chief competitor was J. H. Irby. We think Mr. Gist belongs to Marion District, but are not sure.

☞ We are indebted to the courtesy of Professor Bache, Superintendent of the Coast Survey, for the following statement of Telegraph Longitudes, as well as the Latitudes and distances between the places referred to:—

The places connected in longitude by telegraph, as determined by the Coast Survey (American) method, namely: Calias, Me., and New Orleans, La., are twenty-two and a quarter degrees of longitude, and fifteen and a quarter degrees of latitude apart, and, in an air line, one thousand six hundred and twenty-one miles.

☞ The Court of Pleas and Quarter sessions for New Hanover county commences the sessions of its December term, this forenoon at the Court House, James T. Miller, Esq., Chairman, presiding.

☞ The following are the officers elect to the Grand Convocation A. Y. M., now in session at Raleigh:

Alfred Martin, re-elected Grand Master; H. C. Lucas, Fayetteville, G. S. W.; R. B. Vance, Asheville, G. J. W.; W. T. Bain, re-elected Grand Sec'y.; C. W. D. Hutchins, re-elected Grand Treasurer.

☞ Mr. Wethers has been elected Mayor of Mobile. We don't know his politics.

The Schooner Susan.

MOBILE, December 9.—The schooner Susan escaped on Tuesday afternoon, instead of at night, as before stated. The cutter McLelland got aground at Navy Cove, and before she could be got off the schooner was four hundred miles away. The filibusters here are greatly elated.

[Private advices received here indicate that the filibusters intend to rendezvous at some island, possibly in the Florida Keys, before proceeding to Nicaragua.—*Reporter*.]

Landing of Africans in Georgia.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Dec. 11.—The Savannah Republican of this morning learns, on good authority, that a cargo of slaves has been landed by the schr. Wanderer, near Brunswick, Georgia.

North Carolina Legislature.

[Reported Expressly for the Journal.]

THURSDAY, Dec. 9.—SENATE.—Several unimportant bills were introduced, which will be noted as they come up.

The bill to incorporate the Milton and Yanceyville Junction Railroad Company was ably discussed, and at considerable length, by Mr. Brown, and amended by Mr. Ashe, but was defeated on its second reading by a vote of 25 to 18.

The vote by which the Coalfields Road bill was defeated, was reconsidered by a vote of 32 to 13, and the bill recommitted to the Committee on Internal Improvements. [A streak of hope for its friends.]

The bill to authorize the taking of affidavits out of counties in which judgments are rendered, passed its second and third readings, and was ordered to be engrossed. The bill to abolish the Morganton term of the Supreme Court was recommitted. The bill relative to Sheriff's elections, was read the third time and ordered to be engrossed. The engrossed bill prohibiting betting on elections passed its third reading, and was ordered to be enrolled. The bill relative to the delivery of the laws, journals, &c., also passed and was ordered to be engrossed.

Adjourned.

The following bills were introduced in the House today:

A bill to prevent felling of timber in certain creeks of Rowan.

Mr. Stanford, a bill to improve the navigation of Black Swamp, and to charter the Black Swamp Navigation Company.

Mr. Hill, of Halifax, a bill to charter the Educational Association of North Carolina. Also, a bill concerning the Common Schools.

Mr. Haywood's case was again continued, and many speeches were made; the whole business was postponed until Dec. 17. It was, perhaps, the most mixed up species of legislation that has occurred this session.

FRIDAY, Dec. 10.—SENATE.—The bills ceding to the United States jurisdiction in the purchase of a site for a National Foundry on Deep River, and for a Post Office and Court House in Raleigh, were reported against.

The greater portion of the session was consumed in a fruitless discussion on the Cherokee Indians.

The election for Supreme Court Judge resulted on the first ballot as follows in the Senate—the joint vote will be found below: W. A. Eaton 12, G. E. Badger 8, R. S. Donnell 7, Holmes of Wilmington, 6, Judge Ruffin 5, W. B. Rodman 3, Judge Heath, 2, Judge Manly 2, W. A. Graham 2. No election.

The second ballot in the Senate was unanimously in favor of Judge Ruffin, who is elected by a large majority.

No other business of importance.

Adjourned.

In the House, to-day, more business has been done than on any previous day this week. A discussion on the contested seats sprang up and lasted for a short time. Mr. Taylor's case was made the special order for Wednesday next. The resolution submitting Mr. Haywood's case to the Judiciary committee was, to-day, reconsidered, and the resolution laid on the table.

The following bills were introduced:

Mr. Reeves, a bill to establish the county of Dobbin.

Mr. Dancy a bill to enlarge the powers of the town of Tawboro'.

Mr. Sparrow, a bill to incorporate the Medical Society of North Carolina, and to create a Medical Board.

On motion, the bill to aid the Western Railroad to the Coalfields having been the special order for Wednesday last, laid over on account of unfinished business, was inquired about. Mr. T. R Caldwell gave notice that on to-morrow he should move to suspend the rules so as to take it up.

A bill to prevent the circulation of bank bills of a less denomination than $3 was made the order for Thursday next.

Hon. Thos. Ruffin, Sr., of Alamance was, to-day, elected Judge of the Supreme Court, on the second trial of an election. On the first he came within one vote of an election,—the vote then was Ruffin, 80; W. Winslow, 3; R. R. Heath, 3; H. L. Holmes, 11; G. E. Badger, 22; R. S. Donnell, 11; W. B. Rodman, 8; R. M. Saunders, 1; scattering, 9.

SATURDAY, Dec. 11.—SENATE.—The joint select committee on the election of Supreme Court Judge, made the following report: Whole number of votes given 159; necessary to a choice 80. Judge Ruffin received 145; Mr. Badger 7; scattering 7. A committee was appointed to correspond with the Judge relative to his acceptance of the office.

Mr. Dobson introduced a bill to amend the 20th sec., 31st chapt. of Revised Code. Object, to prohibit the Judges from exchanging Circuits. Referred.

Mr. Bosnight, a bill to permit the Pilots of Ocracoke and Hatteras Inlets to pilot vessels at those points indiscriminately. Referred.

This day being set apart for the consideration of private bills, little of general interest was transacted. The resolution to refund to David Pigott, of Wilmington, certain moneys paid as tax on the sales of wrecked goods, passed its second and third readings.

The vote of yesterday on the Cherokee Indian bill, was reconsidered, and will yet consume a large portion of public time and money. Adjourned.

In the HOUSE, to-day, the Fayetteville and Coalfields Road was amended by inserting $400,000 in place of $600,000, and referred back to the Committee.

A message was received from the Treasurer transmitting information which had been called for concerning indebtedness, bonds, &c.; ordered to be printed.

Mr. Hill, of Halifax, introduced a resolution striking at the bills issued by the Greensborough Mutual Insurance Company.

Mr. Thompson, a bill to incorporate the Goldsborough Insurance Company.

Mr. Stanford, a bill to incorporate the town of Keansville.

Mr. Reeves, a bill concerning free negroes.

The remainder of the session was taken up in the discussion and consideration of two private bills, neither of much interest to any one out of Jackson county; there being a great portion of the time, not a quorum of members in their seats, the House adjourned.

Proceedings of the North Carolina Annual Methodist Episcopal Conference, for 1858.

NEWBERN, N. C., Dec. 8, 1858.

The North Carolina Conference, convened according to appointment, in this town, on Wednesday the 8th of December, at 9 o'clock, A. M., Rev. Bishop Kavanaugh, President.

Conference, was called to order, and opened with reading the scriptures, singing and prayer by Bishop Kavanaugh.

The Secretary of last Conference called the roll, and the following brethren answered to their names:

James Reid, Peter Doub, Bennett T. Blake, R. J. Carson, Daniel Culbreth, John W. Lewis, Wm. Carter, Wm. M. Walsh, Robt. P. Bibb, Ira T. Wyche, Henry Gray, John Tillett, Charles F. Deems, N. A. Hooker, W. S. Chaffin, Wm. Closs, T. P. Ricaud, D. W Doub, N. H. D. Wilson, R. T. Heflin, Thos. C. Moses, Joel W. Tucker, John W. Floyd, Jos. B. Martin, Peter H. Joyner, Wm. H. Bobbitt, L. L. Hendren, James I. Hines, Wm. Barringer, Zebedee Rush, H. H. Gibbons, John M. Gunn, Paul J. Carraway, John Jones, Marble N. Taylor, Wm. E. Pell, Thos. W. Guthrie, Abram Weaver, Numa F. Reid, Shockley D. Adams, Junius P. Moore, James E. Mann, Isham H. Hill, Williamson Harriss, Samuel B. Dosier, Simon D. Peeler, Isaac F. Keerans, Benj. F. Long, N. A. H. Goddin, John N. Andrews, John S. Davis, Theophilus W. Moore, James B. Alford, R. S. Moran, Marquis L. Wood, Jos. Wheeler, Thos. L. Triplett, James W. Wheeler, M. I. Hunt, James B. Bobbitt, Marcus E. Thomas, Jesse A. Cunninggim, Jos. C. Thomas, W. D. Meacham, Oscar J. Brent.

Wm. E. Pell was elected Secretary, and John W. Lewis and Thos. P. Ricaud were elected Assistant Secretaries.

It was ordered by the Conference to meet at 9 o'clock, A. M., and adjourn at 1 o'clock, P. M.

The following committees were oppointed:

On Public Worship.—I. T. Wyche, Abram Weaver, and Wm. M. Walsh.

Books and Periodicals.—L. L. Burkhead and B. F. Long.

Quarterly Review.—T. W. Moore.

On Memoirs.—N. F. Reid and Peter Doub, D. D.

On motion of C. F. Deems, D. D., it was resolved that a committee of five be appointed to take into consideration the Book and Tract Depository.

In accordance with this resolution, C. F. Deems, D. D., R. T. Heflin, Wm. Closs, N. H. D. Wilson and Wm. E. Pell, were appointed.

On Education.—N. F. Reid, D. B. Nicholson, Wm. H. Bobbitt, P. J. Carraway, C. F. Deems, D. D., Wm. Closs and J. W. Tucker.

On Sabbath Schools.—R. P. Bibb and J. B. Martin.

On Bible Cause.—T. W. Guthrie and L. L. Hendren.

On Necessitous Cases.—S. H. Helsabeck and T. W. Moore.

It was resolved, that the bar of the Conference be fixed at the middle posts of the gallaries. On motion,

Resolved, That the doors of this Conference be closed daily at ½ past 10 o'clock, until the examination of character is ended. On motion,

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed to nominate committees of examination of candidates and classes, when Wm. Closs, I. T. Wyche, Jos. H. Wheeler, Wm. E. Pell, and D. B. Nicholson, were appointed said committee. On motion,

Resolved, That the Presiding Elders, be a committee on Missions, to take into consideration the propriety of discontinuing any mission in existence, or of suggesting to the Bishop any new mission that may be desired.

Documents from the Financial Secretary were presented by the Bishop and referred to the committee on the Depository. Accounts, &c., from the Book Agent were referred to the committee on Books and Periodicals. On motion,

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed for the examination of candidates for admission, when R. T. Heflin, C. F. Deems, D. D., and Wm. H. Bobbitt, were appointed.

On Post Offices.—J. J. Hines, and M. C. Thomas.

R. I. Carson tendered his resignation as Conference Trustee, which was accepted, and D. B. Nicholson elected in his place.

M. S. Wood, Jos. Wheeler, M. J. Hunt, Thos. L. Triplett, James W. Wheeler, James B. Bobbitt, Marcus L. Thomas, Jesse A. Cunninggim, Jos. C. Thomas and W. D. Meacham, deacons of one year, passed the usual examination of character.

Oscar I. Brent, Elder, passed the usual examication of character.

On motion, the Conference adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

SECOND DAY.

NEWBERN, N. C., Dec. 9, 1858.

The Conference convened at 9 o'clock, and was opened by the reading of a portion of the Scriptures and prayer by Rev. Bennet T. Blake.

The record of yesterday's proceedings was read and approved.

Revs. Thomas S. Campbell, Robert O. Burton, R. C. Maynard, and J. L. Fisher appeared and took their seats.

Rev. L. D. Huston, D. D., editor of the Home Circle, Nashville, Tenn., was introduced to the Conference.

The following candidates for admission on trial were examined before the Conference, viz: John C. Brent, John H. Loy, John H. Brook, William S. Hester, James B. Long, James W. O'Brien, Robert A. Willis, Benjamin F. Guthrie, P. H. Scovill, John S. Short, John W. Jenkins and William H. Wheeler.

The following candidates for full connection were examined in open Conference, viz: A. W. Mangum, Geo. E. Wyche, William C. Gannan, Geo. W. Heptinstall, James F. Smoot, R. G. Barrett, Samuel Robinson and John S. Long.

Rev. T. J. Wall of the Presbyterian Church of Newbern and Rev. Edward Wall of New York, were introduced to the Conference and invited to seats within the bar.

The time for closing the doors, agreeably to a resolution adopted yesterday, had now arrived, when the Conference would go in the examination of character. The question was raised, "does the examination of character of candidates for admission on trial," come within the purview of the resolution, and was decided in the affirmative; consequently the reporter had to leave.

The following, a list of whom has been kindly furnished by the Secretary of the Conference, passed the examination of character and were admitted on trial: John C. Brent, John H. Loy, John R. Brooks, Wm. H. Hester, Robt. A. Willis, B. F. Guthrie, Perley H. Scoville, John W. Jenkins, and William H. Wheeler.

The following probationers of two years were examined, passed and elected to deacon's orders. A. W. Mangum, Geo. E. Wyche, William C. Gannan, Geo. W. Heptinstall, James F. Smoot, Samuel Robertson and John S. Long. Also, Robert G. Barret and A. D. Betts.

James B. Baily was re-admitted and elected to deacon's orders.

Simeon D. Peeler, John S. Davis, Isaac F. Keerans, Benj. F. Long and N. A. H. Goddin, deacons of two years, were passed and elected to elder's orders.

Conference adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY, Dec. 10.

The sitting was opened by the usual religious exercises, conducted by Rev. Wm. E. Pell.

Revs. C. P. Jones, J. P. Simpson and J. Bethel, appeared and took their seats.

Reports from Lenoir Institute, Goldsboro' Female College and Normal College, were read and referred to the Committee on Education,

A resolution was adopted, asking the Virginia Conference to restore the license of Rev. J. B. Baily, which had been allowed to run out, he having been received into connection with this Conference.

Rev. Leo. Rosser, Editor of the Richmond Christian Advocate, was introduced to the Conference, and took a seat in the body.

Rev. L. D. Huston, D. D., of Nashville, Tenn., addressed the Conference in behalf of the Home Circle and Sunday School Visitor.

On motion of Rev. Wm. C. Pell it was resolved to appoint an agent to collect the unpaid subscriptions to the Tract cause, to ascertain the amount of books at the agencies, and to furnish Tracts to those who had not received the same according to the conditions of subscriptions. C. P. Jones was nominated and elected as the Agent.

A resolution was passed instructing the Superintendent to pay over to Rev. John N. Andrews the balance of five hundred dollars appropriated to the Seaman's Mission at Wilmington.

John N. Andrews and T. W. Moore, deacons of two years, passed examination of character and were elected to elder's orders.

Enoch Moore, B. Craven and D. R. Bruton, probationers, were passed and continued on trial.

R. R. Dunkley was re-admitted into connexion with Conference as elder.

The Committee on the Book Depository reported, submitting a plan, &c., which was laid on the table and made the special order for Monday next.

A motion authorizing the Bishop to draw on the Missionary fund for a certain amount (about $300 we understood) in favor of W. S. Chapin, was adopted.

A motion was adopted ordering the Secretary to notify the public that George W. Ferrabee, who had failed to surrender his license, and had removed beyond the limits of the Conference, has forfeited his license and was severed from all connexion with the Conference and the Church.

Committee on the Bible Cause reported and the report was adopted. We shall endeavor to publish the report at an early day.

A communication from Dr. Hankin requesting the appointment of a Visitor from the Conference to the Educational Institute, of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, at Atlanta, Geo., in August next, was laid over for further consideration.

A call for the amounts of the fifth, or Conference collection, was made, after the response to which, the sitting adjourned. Benediction by the Bishop.

Newbern Progress.

For the Journal.

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 9th, 1858.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—Knowing that almost anything from the State Capitol is of interest to your readers at this time, I conclude to drop you a hasty line or two. Upon your first arrival here everything seems to be in a state of "confusion worse confounded;" you find yourself almost losing your own individuality and become an intensely small fractional part of a confused whole, and it is a difficult matter to resolve yourself back into your original personal identity; but at length, by struggling against the incubus of external influences you can begin to reduce the chaos of commingled elements into something like a distinct picture, with the objects that compose it more definitely marked, and the persons most actively employed in the foreground standing out in fairer proportions and bolder relief.

Perhaps the circumstance which will strike you with the most pleasureable assurance of a sense of your returned consciousness, is the marked ability of the body composing the present legislature. There are more celebrities now than for many sessions past, celebrities who made their first mark on this arena, but whose brows have been adorned with the laurels of distinction in other and prouder fields, where success could only be achieved by intellectual contests of the highest order. In looking around over the House of Commons you see on the left of the main aisle the handsome and imposing presence of the talented, courtly and happily gifted Kerr, the ready and fluent debater, the accomplished and well informed statesman, the brilliant and effective orator; and there close by is ex-Governor Morehead, who is neither a pigmy in stature or intellect, venerable and commanding in appearance, whose suggestions carry their worth and weight with them. Hon. David Outlaw, who has made his mark. Col. M. W. Ranson, who, as Attorney General, won a fine reputation. W. H. N. Smith, a gentleman of handsome abilities. Without particularizing too minutely, I may mention as persons whose distinction so far has been confined to the legal forum or the halls of the House, Messrs. Dortch, Hill of Halifax, Haywood, Settle, (the Chairman,) Bridgers, Benbury, Badham, Tod R. Caldwell, Dargan, Dancy, and a goodly array of others. In the Senate, so decorous and dignified, you will observe Hon. W. S. Ashe, always on the alert, where the interests of the State or his constituents are concerned, but withal so cool and collected, wielding an influence alike due to the weight of what he says and his force of character; the impurturble Steele, suave in manner, but firm as the granite of his native hills; Col. Bedford Brown, the distinguished ex-Senator, whose capacious mind and memory are as full of the facts and reminiscencies of our congressional epochs as "Benton's thirty years view," and whose adherence to States Rights, and a rigid construction of the Constitution, made him so formidable an antagonist of the Federalists in times now long gone by, and who is yet in the full vigor of an active resistance to all other names and forms of federal encroachment; W. K. Lane, the man of thorough practical sense, lenient towards admitted mistakes, but a terror to persistent error, and whose sound, sensible suggestions are always; Wm. J. Houston, the rising young Senator, so agreeable and popular; with the Messrs Davidson, the zealous and worthy representative of the chivalrous Democracy of old Mecklenburg, Donnell, Boyd, Mills, Humphrey, (whose ability is acknowledged by his constituency, in the flattering tribute of electing so young a man to the Senate,) Cherry, Rattle, and others. But, independent of these mentioned, there is talent enough in both branches of the Legislature to make a decidedly respectable representation. No invidious distinction, where omissions occur, is designed in this notice of the members.

It will prove the most gratifying intelligence I can communicate, to give you an assurance, which the event will confirm, that the Committee on Internal Improvements, for the house, will, at the proper time, report adversely to the Danville Connection. That is a pill this Legislature will not take, no matter how thickly coated with sugar. In connection with the subject of Railroads, Mr. Ward, from Duplin, has introduced an important resolution, requiring the Committee on Internal Improvements to enquire into the expediency and practicability of consolidating the main trunk line of Railroads through the State, from Beaufort to the mountains, into one, with one set of officers, &c. This line embraces the Atlantic, the Central, and the Western extension. Mr. Ward is, perhaps, about as well informed upon the subject of Railroads, as any member of the Legislature. He has given it a thorough and searching investigation, studied industriously all the facts which seem to promote or retard their progress and success, and is prepared to talk and vote understandingly upon all railroad projects, new or old. Mr. Ward has introduced another bill of considerable import, having for its object the collection and collation of the statistics of the State.

You will be surprised to learn that the Fayetteville and Coal Field Road has been defeated in the Senate. Remember, it was thought it was obliged to pass.

Your New Hanover delegation, Messrs. Bryan and Moore, stand deservedly high here. Men of sterling sense and worth, as they are, they occupy positions which will render them popular here, and useful to their county and State.—The mountain delegation, as a body, is composed of men of liberal and enlarged views, who will make no sectional onset against the East. Among these, I take pleasure in referring particularly to Col. Bryson and Dr. Love. Mr. Stanford, the other member from Duplin, is about the youngest member in the House, (*over* 21 years of age,) and will be heard from, if the occasion should arise calling for a hearing from him.

Yours, &c., DOUBLE X. Y.

Annual Report of the Secretary of the Navy.

The annual report of the Hon. Isaac Toucey, Secretary of the Navy, opens with a minute review of the movements of our naval forces, during the past year, in arresting unlawful expeditions against Nicaragua, and in resisting the exercise of the right of search of American vessels by British cruisers, in the neighborhood of Cuba. It then passes to the subject of the Paraguay expedition, consisting of two frigates, two sloops of war, three brigs, twelve armed steamers and two armed store ships, which have been ordered to rendezvous near Buenos Ayres, to be in readiness for any action that may be required. Of this force one sloop, three brigs and twelve steamers can lay the whole river coast of Paraguay under effective blockade, ascend the river to the capital of Paraguay, and overcome any resistance that may be offered. It has been the object of this department to leave no doubt as to the success of an expedition set on foot to protect the persons and property of American citizens in a remote country, to vindicate the honor of the American flag in a particular instance of wanton outrage offered to it, and to indicate a determined purpose on the part of this government to cause it to be respected wherever its protection may be rightfully invoked.

In fitting out this expedition it became necessary, in consequence of a deficiency in the navy of vessels of light draught, to charter a number of steamers which could be used as transports and for towage, and could be armed for effective service as war vessels. These vessels, six propellers and three side-wheel steamers have been chartered for six months, or more, with a right of election on the part of the government to become the purchaser at stated prices, and to apply all payments made under the charter as part payment of the purchase money.—As these vessels would be useful as part of the naval force of the United States, and can be purchased on reasonable terms, the Secretary recommends an appropriation to be used, if deemed expedient, for the purpose. The sum required to purchase the six steam propellers would be $244,000, of which $94,800 must be paid for the use of them for the period of six months, and a proportionate sum for a longer time, if no purchase be made. The sum required for the three side-wheel steamers would be $286,000, of which, if they be not purchased, the sum of $69,000 must be paid for the use of them for the same period of six months, and a larger sum for a longer period.

The survey of the navigation between San Francisco and China, under Lieut. J. M. Brooke—the operations of the frigate Niagara in laying the Atlantic telegraph, and her subsequent dispatch to Africa with the captured Africans, and the attentions shown the sick on board the Susquehanna by the British officers in Jamaica, are briefly but appropriately mentioned.

The five steam sloops of war, authorized by the act of March 3, 1857, will soon be completed, and the seven steam screw sloops of war and one side wheel war steamer, authorized at the last session, are in a great state of forwardness. Five of the sloops will be launched during the present month, and ready for sea by May next, and the other two by June. The steamer, which is being built in California, will be ready for sea next August. In the construction of the steamships, they have been especially adapted to the greatest possible speed. To attain this important desideratum for war purposes, the highest skill of the country has been sought out and called into requisition. So, too, in arming the navy, the best skill of the departments of ordnance, of construction and of engineering has been taxed to the utmost, and in the Dahlgren gun we have what we wanted—a gun not surpassed by any in the service for the celerity with which it can be used.

An increase of the navy is earnestly urged. We need in time of peace a large number of vessels capable of entering the rivers and harbors of all foreign countries, as well as our own, for the protection of American persons and property, particularly in Mexico and Central and South America. Twenty effectual vessels of the smaller class can be built and kept at sea for what it would cost to build and keep at sea four or five vessels of the larger class. And when this fact is considered in connection with another, that well armed ships of this description traversing the high seas, visiting the ports of remote nations, displaying a national flag as the representative of a great confederation of free State, are usually in time of peace as powerful for all protective and preventive purposes as any other, while they are useful and formidable in war, the argument becomes irresistible for the employment of a much larger number of them.

The unprecedented increase of our commerce—our immense sea coast, indented by a thousand harbors, most of them of no great depth, on both the Atlantic and Pacific oceans, and other important considerations—are referred to as imperatively calling for the proposed increase of the navy. The increase at present recommended is at least ten war steamers of the smaller class.

The naval academy at Annapolis, under its present superintendent, Captain George S. Blake, continues to give marked evidence of its great usefulness. Fifteen acting midshipmen graduated in June last, and of seventy-six candidates for admission in September, fifty-six were found qualified and were admitted. The number of acting midshipmen now attached to the academy is one hundred and eighty-nine.

The board of officers appointed to witness the annual examination of the classes and report on the condition of the academy, speak favorably of the police discipline and general management of the institution. They concur in the recommendation of previous boards, that the standard of qualifications for the admission of candidates be raised, or that a course of preparatory study be provided, so as to bring them to a more uniform degree of attainmentts.

They recommend that acting midshipmen be required to bind themselves to serve a certain period after passing through the academic course of studies; that teachers of French and Spanish be attached to our ships on foreign station; that a practice ship be permanently attached to the academy for the instruction of the acting midshipmen, and that every encouragement be held out to induce men specially qualified by their professional attainments and general good character to engage and remain permanently in this service.

The Secretary, in order to carry out the latter recommendation of the board, asks that authority be given to transfer the naval professors of mathematics now employed at the academy to the Naval Observatory, and to organize in their stead a corps of professors composed, of civilians, with such compensation as will secure the highest abilities.

Attention is invited to the inadequate provision for the accommodation of midshipmen at the naval academy. The number now there is 189, while provision has been made for only 180, and there are 33 districts having no midshipmen at the academy or in the service elsewhere.

An addition of 20 surgeons and as many assistant surgeons, to the present medical corps, is absolutely necessary. Fifteen or twenty additional pursers are also required, as there are now sixteen vessels in commission without any, and on nine others the commanding officers are compelled to perform that duty. It is recommended that 2,000 privates be added to the present marine force, which now numbers 1,568.

The fact that a new code of day, night and fog signals was adopted for the navy, in July last, is referred to, and a code of regulations and a code of laws for the government of the navy, prepared by a board of officers, as directed by Congress and submitted for its consideration.

The progress of Com. Page's exploration of the Parana and its tributaries, and a survey of the route for a ship-canal from the Atlantic to the Pacific, are briefly stated. No report has yet been made by the commission appointed to examine the iron, coal and timber of the Deep River country in North Carolina, with the view of establishing there machine and workshops for the construction of engines, boilers, &c., for naval vessels.

The position and movements of our various naval squadrons and other vessels of war are set forth minutely. They are, however, matters with which our readers generally, are familiar, they having been noted in our columns, from time to time during the year, as they occurred.

Referring to the naval asylum, the Secretary recommends the passage of a law permitting the disabled or worn out seamen who has a home of his own, to which he has returned to pass the remainder of his days, to remain there and receive an annual stipend in money, instead of compelling him to leave it and resort to the asylum to obtain the benefit of the provision which the government has made for him out of his own earnings.

The Secretary closes his able and interesting report by a brief reference to the naval observatory, and embraces the occasion to speak in high terms of Commander Maury, for the labors he has bestowed for many years upon his Wind and Current Charts and Sailing Directors, and of the ben